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John Best on the six main contenders to succeed Pierre Trudeau as prime minister of Canada Line-out

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Robert Nyc looks at W. H. Auden's translations of Norse poems on the Books page. Also Michael Ratcliffe reviews The Rise and Fall of the Political Press in Britain, by Stephen Koss

#### Tories rebel again on rates

Government suffered another revolt when its ratecapping Bill returned to the floor of the Commons for the report stage. Eight Conservative MPs, including Mr Geoffrey Rippon, the former Cabinet minister, voted for an Opposition clause designed to limit the number of government controls over local authority

Rate-limits will fail', page 2; Parliament, page 4

#### Visit soured

President Chaim Herzog of Israel arrived in London on a five-day visit to find his embassy seething over reports of a £90m British arms sale to

#### £50m order

The US shipping line Lykes Brothers has signed a letter of intent with Harland and Wolff Beifast for two container ships worth £50m, with an option for four more. Page 23



#### Car of future Ford's car of the future which Mrs Thatcher said should be redesigned was put on public display in London Page 3

#### Soviet guest

Mr Georgy Kornienko, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minis-ter, arrived in Britain last night, the highest-ranking Russian to pay a visit on official business for eight years

#### Difficult task

Zola Budd, the young South African athlete who wants to compete for Britain in the Olympic Games, has her work cut out to qualify against the vastly-improved British women Page 29

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# **NUM** moderates vote to force national meeting By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor mandate for a national ballot.

union members

Motorway blockade, page 36

its injunction against unlawful secondary picketing. A spokes-man said last night: "We shall

go back to the court if we judge that it is necessary. We are holding off to allow the union's

The biggest breakthrough in the five-month-old coal miners' dispute came yesterday when union moderates voted in secret to force a meeting of the National Union of Mineworkers' executive that could call a

After a week of indecision among the once dominant rightwing contingent on the union's, nine area leaders met privately at a public house in Leicestershire to draw up a timetable to development, saying that a halt the growing strike in the pithead ballot was the only way

industry.
Last night, they demanded immediate recall of the executive so that a national ballot could be held on pay and pit closures, and in the interim urged that coalfields where 60,000 men have voted to work normally should be freed from "flying pickets" and resume

A top-level row is certain to follow in the mineworkers' union, whose national officials were in London yesterday defending a High Court action brought by the coal board.

They were caught on the hop by the moderates gathering at the Brant Inn. Groby, which could force Mr Arthur Scargill, leftwing president of the union, and Mr Peter Heathfield, its general sectretary, to call the executive into emergency session.

Hitherto, the two national officials have declined to set in motion the machinery for a pithead ballot on the ground that the areas were divided about what step to take.

But Mr Jack Jones, secretary of the Leicestershire miners. said: "There is now a clear

Share offer

to Telecom

subscribers

By Bill Johnstone

and Jonathan Davis

confirmed its commitment to

offer shares to telephone sub-

scribers when British Telecom

Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary

of State for Trade and Industry,

made the announcement at the

regard owning shares in their

No details are yet available

but one incentive to buy which

has been discussed is that of

offering shareholders a discount

Mr Tebbit's department has

long favoured a share issue to

the 20 million subscribers as a

way of diversifying ownership and making it difficult for any

future government to renationa-

Moreover, Whitehall finan-

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The Government yesterday

drawn-out dispute to an issue. If We are in a majority and the national executive should rethey do compel a strike ballot, it will almost certainly be on a double question about whether convene and call for a ballot." the miners should accept a 5.2 per cent "final" pay offer and whether they want to strike against coal board plans to shut 20 pits and shed 20,000 jobs. Although only nine members of the executive attended yesterday's meeting others sent their apologies and the moderates believe that they can muster a 14-10 majority to the the stellar time of the stellar time.

The vote is unlikely to take take the strike issue to a vote of place for at least a week, and in the meantime there will be strong pressures within the The coal board welcomed the fields that have ballotted against striking to resume normal to end the present bitterness working About 20,000 men in the Midlands and Lancashire now subject to local strike between the union areas and the conflict between groups of The board has not sought to bring to the attention of the instructions despite having voted against industrial action. would be free to defy pickets from Yorkshire and South High Court flagrant breaches of

> They are being told "we leave to your conscience to return to work as soon as possible", pending the national pithead ballot in which a 55 per cent majority is required under union rules before an all-out strike may be mounted.

democratic process to work and The coal board does not expect the poll to be a "walkover" against stiking despite the votes for normal at the moment they seem to be working."

The board's optimism was not supported by comments from Mr Heathfield. He said: "I working in moderate areas. However, informed union sources last suggested that the overall result would fall short of am astonished that the Right have had a caucus meeting in the delicate situation we are the required majority.

facing, I am concerned about Areas accounting for about developing unity within our ranks and not exploiting differ-ences." He added: "I would not half the country's 183,000 miners were represented at yesterday's meeting. They came like to speculate on what would from Leicestershire, Notting-hamshire, Cumbria, North be done by a full national Wales, Lancashire, South Der-The moderates are now byshire, the Midlands and its clearly determined to force the associated craftsmen.

# Mentally ill Ripper sent to Broadmoor

imprisonment in May 1981 on 13 counts of murder and seven of attempted murder, could Finance Houses Association in nowbe a serious danger to London. He said: "Real public ownership is when people prison staff and others, and required treatment that could be given only in hospital. Mr telephone company as as Brittan told MPs in a parlianatural event as paying their. mentary written reply. telephone bills - and a great

He ordered the transfer under an extra five years. the Mental Health Act, after fresh reports from Dr John Hamilton, Broadmoor's medical director, and Dr Brian Cooper, principal medical adviser at Parkhurst, which concluded that Sutcliffe was a

paranoid schizophrenic: Mr Britian said he was satisfied Sutcliffe's mental condition had deteriorated

seriously. It was said last night that the nedical reports showed that Sutcliffe believed he was hearing voices. He had no understanding of his condition and would not accept medical treatment which prisoners could not be compelled to

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter Peter Susciffe, the Yorkshire At his trial Susciffe said be Ripper; was moved vesterday to had heard God's voice telling Broadmoor Hospital from Parhim to his prostitutes.

Broadmoor Hospital from Parhim to kill prostinutes.

thurst prison suffering from He denied murder but admit-what Mr Leon Britian, the ted manslaughter on grounds of Home Secretary, escribed as diminished responsibility. In ave mental illness. convicting him of the murders Sutcliffe, sentenced to life the jury rejected his plea that paranoid schizophrenia drove him to commit the offences.

> Since the trial Sutcliffe has been kept in a single cell in the Parkhurst hospital wing. Last year he suffered face and neck injuries requiring 30 stitches after being attacked by another prisoner. His attacker was given

Mr. Brittan said he was satisified that stringent security precautions would be taken at Broadmoor. He added that if Sutcliffe's mental health improved he might be returned to prison.

Sutcliffe's wife. Sonia, said: "I feel justified. This has confirmed what I have known all the time - that Peter is a sick rson, they should have found this out before now."

Sutcliffe's elder sister, Mau-reen, said: "The whole family is delighted at the news, I do not know what his condition is, I have not been able to see him since his conviction, and it is impossible to tell from his

# Departing moment: Police officers leading a picket away from the skirmishes outside the National Coal Board's area headquarters in Doncaster, South Yorkshire, yesterday.

#### Cool Queen lifts British prestige in Jordan

From Christopher Walker Amman

Unruffled by blanket secur-y of an intensity rare even by liddle Eastern standards, the Queen coolly fulfilled a punishing programme of official engagements yesterday in a tour which diplomats hope may give Britain greater prominence in efforts to secure a regional

Although prevented by threat of attack from Syrian-backed Palastinian extremists from all but the barest mini-mum of spontantous contact with local Arabs: many of whom are of Palestinian origin - the dignified conduct of the Queen and the Dake of Edinburgh has strengthened

time when Jordan - US relations are at a low ebb. While the royal party were fulfilling their timetable in fastmoving motorarcades with no unscheduled stops, Mr Richard Luce, Minister of State at the Foreign Office was meeting Jordan's foreign minister, Mt Taher Ali-Masri.
A Palestinian born in the

Israeli-occupied town of Nablos, Mr Al-Masri was formerly Ambassador in London before

Photograph, page 8

his promotion in the new Cabinet appointed by King Husain last January. British officials hope that their close connexions with him will help the Government in its bid to secure the £90m missile contract recently scrapped by President Reagan.

The possibilities for Britain's new role were emphasized by the King in an interview with a team from TVam. He called on the Thatcher Government to work in co-ordination with the EEC to reach a comprehensive settlement, adding that Britain could play "an effective rule" in the Middle East peace efforts because of its familiarity with

The warmth with which the royal party has been welcomed by an Arab leader regarded by the Israeli government as one of the main obstacles to Middle East peace may cause new problems during the five-day visit to Britain which Israel's president, Mr Chaim Herzog. began yesterday.

The attirude of the Jordanian Government towards Bri-Continued on back page, col 7

tain's sympathetic stance on the Palestinian issue - featured in a speech by the Queen which referred to their plight as "a

# Trade surplus leaps to £819m as exports set record

By Frances Williams.

Britain turned in its best was £600m, compared with a

trade performance for more than a year last month, as exports soared to record levels. The surplus on trade in goods of £369m, after a deficit of £339m in January, far surpassed

City-expectations, lifting the pound on foreign exchange markets. After adding in an estimated £250m surplus on trade in invisibles - services such as banking, insurance and ship-

ping - Britain recorded a balance of payments current account surplus of £819m, the highest since the end of 1982. and an improvement of more sharply since the middle of last deficit in January.

The February figures were helped by higher oil exports and a big jump in exports of soships, aircraft, precious stones and bullion. The two together accounted for more than half the 15 per cent surge in total exports to a new peak of £6.03

The monthly trade figures have seesawed unpredictably in recent months. But the underlying trend suggests that the were only a little higher than in deterioration in Britain's trade the previous three months but account evident since 1981 may have come to a halt.

The surplus on trade in goods in the three months to February

**Economics Correspondent** 

deficit of £300m in the previous three months. The bulk of the improvement was due to oil, but the deficit on trade in non-

oil goods also shrank by £200m to £1.9 billion. The volume of exports was 7.5 per cent up in the latest three months from three months earlier and 9.5 per cent higher than at the same time

last year. The trade and industry department said vesterday that exports were up across the board and the underlying level

year, The Government expects exports of goods and services to increase by 5 per cent this year after a meagre 0.5 per cent in called erratic items, including 1983, as world economic recovery gathers steam, Treasury is predicting a £2 billion current account surplus in 1984, the same as last year.

> imports, however, are also expected to grow rapidly, by 7 per cent this year compared with 5 per cent last. In the latest three months imports overall imports of manufactures were up 5.5 per cent and there was an 11 per cent jump in imports of consumer goods other than cars.

#### **Ministers** fail again in **Brussels**

From Ian Murray Brussels

There was total and angry failure in Brussels yesterday when EEC foreign ministers tried to salvage something from the wreck of last week's

National positions, which once seemed so close, have become more entreached than ever, with each delegation announcing that it had withdrawn all concessions. The Commission has been extended. drawn all concessions. The Commission has been asked to try to draft fresh proposals for the next meeting in Luxembourg on April 9. Britain is still being held to blame. "The British have not withdrawn their concessions", a French spokesman said "because they never made any".

The failure of the meeting meant that the question of freeing Britain's promised freeing Britain's promised £457m rebate from the Community was not even raised. But Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, said afterwards that there were no plans to make an

issue of it. The meeting collapsed be-cause it proved impossible to bridge the gap between the £000m rebate offered by the nine other countries and the £780m Britain insists is its minimum requirement witin a new system. Thus, although everyone round the table did accept that a new system was needed for calculating national contributions, it proved impossible to agree to staring

Sir Geoffrey said the remain-ing gap was one of 25 per cent — and that was "substantial". He said Britain had already made "formidable and numerous" concessions and it would be difficult to defend or explain to the British people why they should be expected to pay any more to the Community budget when so many other member

states were much wealthier. The mood of the meeting wa soured from the start by the matching failure of agriculture ministers, meeting in an adjacent room, to make any progress towards resolving the hish milk problem. Another Farm Council is to be held on Friday to try once again to break this deadlock, but the omens are not

Despite it all, the British delegation remained resignedly optimistic. In the end, they are condemned to succeed", one official said. The British feel their best hope is to sit back and wait for the Community to run out of money. Once that happens, as an official put it. "the others will come to us. We are all together in one room and the only way out is through a door to which we have the key."

But some dangerously harsh words were being spoken as the meeting ended. Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, was reported as having told the Council: "We have reached the Continued on back page, col 8

#### privatization yet, think the City of London alone might not produce the necessary £4bn. Thatcher defends secrecy

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

yesterday that no government could carry on its business unless it could trust civil servants to keep classified documents to themselves.

To show her consistency. Mrs Thatcher recalled that in June 1976 she had spoken in the same sense as leader of the Opposition when Mr James allaghan, who was then Prime Minister, announced an inquiry into a Cabinet leak. Mr Callaghan told the scheme, about which there were

The Prime Minister, com-Commons then that "there strong differences menting for the first time on the must be absolute confidence Labour ministers. case of Miss Sarah Tisdall, who that papers and discussions that missiles said in the Commons circle to whom they are given".

Supporting him, Mrs Thatcher said the Conservatives fully shared his view of the gravity of the matter. It was essential that confidentiality of documents should be assured. The 1976 incident concerned the publication in the magazine

New Society of an article

describing arguments in Cabi-

net about the child benefit

incomprehensible and mean-

He told the House that if a

heavy in the air."

Mr Callaghan said it was leaked arrival dates of cruise take place are kept within the clear that the author had access to Cabinet minutes which were accurately quoted.

Yesterday, Mrs Thatcher said Mr Callaghan was right to order an investigation and she had been right in supporting him. Journalists at The Guardian

in London yesterday con-demned as harsh and punitive the six-month jail, sentence on Miss Tisdall and said they would take up a collection of £2,000 to assist her

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#### Shutdown for buses and Tubes By Tony Samstag

Almost all of London's bus and Tube services are expected to shut down today in a protest against Government proposals to abolish the Greater London Council and metropolitan county councils next, to implement "rate-capping" and to take over the running of London Transport.

The protest is being held 24 hours before a national "day of action" so that participants will be able to rach London rallying points-for the main event taking place tomorrow.

British Rail is expected to run unable to get to work because of the London Transport shutdown, or where passenger overloading causes delays, green Line coaches will also run normaly, although some buse may terminate at the GLC boundary. London Transport said yes-

terday that the safest assump tion, was that none of its Scotland Yard said normal parking restrictions would ap-

The Britih Airports Authority was planning to run a special coach service from 6 am until 10 pm. Twelve coaches will travel between Heathrow Airport and Paddington and Victoria coach stations at roughly half-hourly intervals.

The Automobile Association urged motorists to stagger their journeys to and from work 10 avoid the extended rush-hours expected. There were no insurance

problems with car-sharing, so

long as the driver did not charge passengers more than a "reason able share" of the costs, the AA spokesman said. The Public Carriage Office expected a near-normal number

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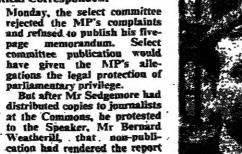
# MP's challenge over Oman contract

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent Brian Sedgemore, Mr Monday, the select committee Labour MP for Hackney South rejected the MP's complaints and refused to publish his fiveand Shoreditch, last night challenged the Prime Minister page memorandum. Select to sue him for publishing a statement on her alleged interest in the Cementation mmittee publication would have given the MP's alle-gations the legal protection of

contract for a new pniversity in He told The Times: "There is nothing she can sue me over. The truth is an absolute defence to defamation; it ceases to be libel if it is true."

The statement was initially sent to the Commons Select Committee on Members' Interests, as evidence in support of two complaints made by Mr Sedgemore, a barrister, that the Prime Minister should have declared an interest in the

Commons. In a feport released on



Mr Sedgemore: "Nothing to sue me over'

select committee showed a party political bias, protecting Conservative MP for Hampa colleague by failing to print stead and Highgate, intervened evidence, then . the odour of to defend the select committee political corruption would hang for refusing "to publish rubbish the gutter", Sir Geoffrey Finsberg, the

Mr Sedgemore's statement contains 15 "facts", three "inescapable and irresistable inferences" and a list of suggested withesses, including Mrs Thatcher and her son, Mark. The Conservative backbench motion supporting the Prime Minister's pursuit of Britaiu's

interest had been signed by another eight MPs according to papers. They were: Sir Dudley Smith, Mr Tom Normanion, Mr Antony Marlow, Sir Humphrey Atkins, Mr Cecil Parkinson, Mr George Walden, Mr Piers Merchaut, and Mrs Sally Oppenheim.
It was mistakenly reported

yesterday that Mr Nicholas Winterton, MP for Macclesfield had not signed. He signed on March 15.

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# Minister tries to avert revolt by Tories over political levy

Mr Tom King, Secretary of Mr Townend said: "This is a State for Employment, was matter of principle. Nobody trying last night to avert a should be forced to contribute Conservative backbench revolt unless they went to. I shall over union members' contri- certainly be pushing it to a butions to political funds.

More than eighty Conservatives have signed a new clause to the Trade Union Bill proposing a statutory right for union members to refuse political levy payments unless they had given written notice that they wished to contribute.

But Mr King, in line with the Conservative manifesto comment with the TUC that the unions should attempt a voluntary scheme "to ensure that and effectively able to decide for themselves whether or not to pay the political levy."

The manifesto also said: "In the event that the trade unions are not willing to take such steps, the Government will be prepared to introduce measures to guarantee the free and effective right of choice."

Mr King was meeting small groups of rebels last night in an attempt to persuade them to

But Mr John Townend, MP for Bridlington, and Mr Vivian

Government's embarrassment would be compounded by the fact that statutory enforcement of contracting in is supported by the Liberal-Social-Democratic Alliance, while Labour would be expected to ioin forces with ministers to

defeat the new clause. Mr Townend said that Mr King had been arguing that he mitment, has reached an agree- had acted in line with the manifesto, and he had given a warning tha statutory contracting in could lead to state funding for political parties.

The MP said that the voluntary agreement which Mr King had made with the unions did not "hold water". He said that there was no power to enforce it and he recalled that although rebels has failed to win a Commons vote on secret ballots in the last Parliament. Mr King was now bringing in secret ballots with his new Bill.

Mr Bendall said: "It just happens that we are a few years ahead of the front bench on these matters. He said that the numbers signing the new clause Bendall, MP for Ilford, North, had escalated since the weekend said later that they intended to and they hoped to have a 150% average 3.1 29 press the issue to a Commons hundred signatures by the end

#### Tax cut of 9p would restore 1979 level

By Frances Williams **Economics Correspondent** 

A tax cut equivalent to 9p off the basic rate would be needed to restore the tax burden for a couple on average earnings to its 1978-79 level, before the present Government came to office, the Treasury revealed in a parliamentary answer yesterday. The figures take into account the substantial increase in the income tax threshold

announced in the Budget. For poor households, the tax reduction would need to be bigger. To reduce payments in real terms to 1978-79 levels, after adjusting for price rises, a couple on three-quarters average earnings would need an 11.5p cut in income tax, and a coupe on one-and-a-half times average earnings a cut of 7.6p.

Smaller reductions would be needed to restore payments to 1978-79 levels as a proportion of carnings; nearly 4p on average earnings, but almost 6p for half the average wage and only 3p for one-and-a-half times

INCOME TAX CUT NEEDED TO RESTORE PAYMENTS TO 1978-79 LEVELS

		in real terms			
	Earnings	Single	Marned	Married + 2 children	
	75% average average 150%	10.8 9.0 7.6	11.5 9.0 7.6	6.8 .5.1	
		as p	roportion	of earnings	
	75% average average	6.1	5.7 3.7	4.4 2.5	

# When the boss is another union

When the bossessare trade union leaders and union employees who are on strike, life can become tense for those who have to negotiate between the brothers at war.

Such a man is Maurice Tonner, official of the whitecoltar union Apex, which organizes about 4,000 full-time staff employed by trade unious. He is trying to unravel the four-week strike by banking union employees in a redandancy

Mr Tonner gets involved in many such disputes, as he is ultimately responsible for the terms and conditions of Apex members at about 70 unions. Not all reach the stage of a strike, as has happened at the Banking Insurance and Finance Union, (Bifu), but he says there have been "many close calls".

Negotiating on behalf of his members with a trade union leader can sometimes lead to strains in the unity of purpose encouraged by the movement.

"Occasionally we find that general secretaries can be a little too authoritarian in their approach. We have come to expect that from other employers but we do not expect it from trade union general secretaries. Mr Tonner says.

He refuses to name those unions regarded as poor em-ployers, but he is more forthcoming on good em-ployers, which include the Civil Service unions, the Union of Communications Workers and Nalgo, the union for town hall white-collar staff. Negotiations become Byzantine when he argues for pay increases on behalf of Apex members working for Apex.

One union staff dispute that achieved notoriety in the labour movement in the 1970s involved staff at the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers' headquarters at Peckham in London. Picketing was so successful that Mr

Hugh Scanlon, who was then the president, had to climb into the office through a window. No less embarrassing was the strike 15 months ago by

staff at the miners' headquarters, at that time in London, soon after Mr Arthur Scargill became president.

There have been several disputes involving the Associ-ation of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs (ASTMS), the union headed by Mr Clive Jenkins. The last official Apex strike before the present Bifu dispute, was at the ASTMS offices in north

"Negotiations with unions can be difficult, but because we understand each other's problems there are some advantages", Mr Tonner says. "For instance, when a union says it has no money to make a pay offer, I can understand their problems of falling membership and income."

# Threat to dismiss BBC strikers

striking scenery workers today unless they give an undertaking to return to work, talks between the corporation's management and the Entertainment Trades Alliance, which represents the strikers, continued at the Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) yesterday (Our Arts Correspondent

BBC officials were hopeful

through in the six-week dispute but insisted that the deadline for a return to work, imposed

last week, must stay. The strike began when the BBC introduced new working schedules for its London scenery making and shifting departments. It has postponed around 40 light entertainment and drama productions.

to make the scenery department more efficient.

But the union has opposed the BBC's attempt to go to arbitration without agreement to restore working practices to their previous formula.

With overtime, the annual wages of those on strike vary from £9,400 for cleaners work ing nights, to £14,000 for

#### Defence team chosen

The new Labour committee executive committee, are exrevising and amending the party's defence policy before the next general election is expected to include several multilatera-

membership of the party's 12 new joint policy committees, each taking members from both the parliamentary party and the national

which will be responsible for pected to be finalized today at meetings of the NEC at party headquarters and later on the Shadow Cabinet. The committees are part of the new streamlined approach

to policy making agreed since the election, with a new emphasis on the NEC and the

Shadow Cabinet working closer

together to avoid the conflicts

#### Soldier killed by IRA bomb

A soldier was killed yesterday when the minibus he was driving was ripped apart by a 200lb bomb detonated by Provisional IRA terrorists hiding in fields (Richard Ford

writes from Belfast). Sergeant David Ross, aged 31, was killed instantly in the explosion

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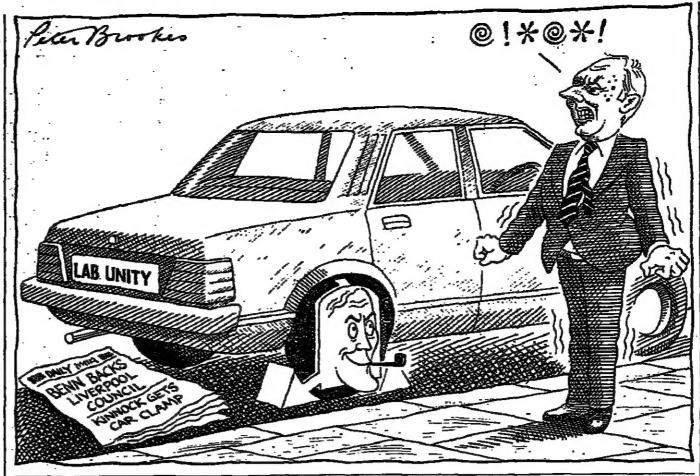
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#### Union faces | Government may order audit of rebuff over Liverpool council's books polygraph By David Walker, Social Policy Correspondent

ordering a "special audit" of the

A team of accountants from the Audit Commission for

Local Authorities, the quango

oversees councils'

council's books.

which

By Peter Hennessy The Government is considering its first direct involvement in Liverpool's financial crisis by

The introduction of the Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) next Monday will be raised this afternoon at the first meeting for five years of the Civil Service National Whitley Coun-

Sir Robert Armstrong, Sec-retary of the Cabinet, who will chair the meeting, may rule it out as a topic for discussion on the ground that the Civil Service unions lost their representative rights at the signals and electronic intelligence centre on March 1.

If he does, the Council of Civil Service Unions team, led by Mr William McCall, of the Institution of Professional Civil Servants, will say that about 160 employees at GCHQ have declined to relinquish their union membership despite the

Union leaders estimate that 50 of them could be liable for a lie detector test in the next 12 months. All staff at GCHQ are vetted and the process is

renewed every five years.
From April I, the polygraph will be used on those staff at Cheltenham undergoing the quinquennial review of their security clearance. It is part of a pilot project designed to stiffen Whitehall's defences against the

The expectation in Whitehall is that security authorities at Cheltenham will carefully avoid using the polygraph on any of the 160 recusants, at least in the near future Conciliation is one of the priorities of Mr Peter director

Of the 160 union members remaining at GCHQ, about 110 are based at Cheltenham and about 50 in its outstations. The union breakdown is:

Society of Civil and Public Servants 80; Civil Service Union 50: Institution of Professional Civil Servants 30: Association of Government Supervisors and Radio Officers 30: Civil and Public Services Association 7; and First Division Association 2.

#### Rate cap Bill 'will fall short'

The rate capping planned by ministers next year will not be severe enough to produce the requred savings, Dr John Cunningham the shadow Secretary of State for the Environment, said yesterday (Our Local Government Correspondent

He believed that ministers would have to fix legal ceilings for 90 councils to climinate supposed overspending of £1,500m by councils throughout the country.

Ministers have not issued detailed capping plans for next year but they have said they expect to fix rate ceilings for 12 to 20 high-spending authorities. No official list has appeared, but ministers have indicated that the Greater London Coun-cil and Basildon District Council are certain to be capped.

The spending plans for the coming year of several London boroughs, the Inner London Education Authority and South Yrokshire County Council mean that they are also probable candidates for capping. All the Highest spenders are Labour-controlled.

Dr Cunningham based his calculation on the £1,500m cut in local council spending set out for next year in the White Paper about public spending published last month. Dr Cunning ham said the rates of 90 councils would have to be

Dr Cunningham was speaking at a press conference organized at Westminster by the ocal Government Campaign Unit. a union-backed group which is organizing this week's demonstrations against the Government plans to abolish the six English metropolitan counties and the Greater Lon-don Council.

#### But no move will be made 'agreed this week, Mr Michael until after the likely budget stalemate at tomorrow's council meeting. It is likely, too, that the Government will wait to see what action is proposed by Mr Les Stanford, the Chester-based official auditor from Liverpool.

accounting practices and efficiency, would systematically work through town hall depart-Mr Stanford has given a warning to the Labour majority ments to provide a reliable picture of finances. that the proposed budget plan would result in his applying to a It is understood that miniscourt for an order surcharging and disqualifying councillors. But if no budget is agreed on Thursday, he will face a difficult ters would prefer such relatively uncontroversial action; official advice has consistently been against dispatching the Civil task in identifying those respon-Service commissioners that are provided for under emergency legislation which has been sible for the city's financial

who is employed by the audit

Experts say that if no rate is

Reddington, the city treasurer, has enough income from various sources (for example late repayments from 1983-84 and repayment of debts) to keep might need to borrow money and it is thought that payments of interest on such borrowings would be illegal. Mr Stanford might then use them as the basis for a court action requiring the council to set a rate.

In Liverpool yesterday, 2,000 dockers agreed at a meeting to join the demonstrations planned to putp pressure on wavering Labour councillors. Six have said publicly that they will not vote for their party's

#### **Boundaries** redrawn for Europe election

By Our Polititical Editor Only three of the 66 English European Assembly constituencies will remain unchanged if. Parliament adopts the proposals of the Boundary Commission., for England, published yester-

The commission's proposals icave unchanged the present constituencies of Hereford and Worcester, London East and London North-east. A minor boundary alteration only, involving no electors, is proposed for the Devon and the Cornwall

and Plymouth constituencies. Twenty-two constituencies are slightly altered or, in the commission's words, retain a substantial part of their present area and electorate. The remaining 39 have been substantially modified.

The commission says that substantial changes were made neviatable because of the rise in population since the present. boundaries were approved before the European election in 1979, and because of the need. to align existing boundaries with the new parliamentary

constituencies.
Changes in population since 1977, when the constituencies were all within 10 per cent of the average size, had increased the range to 15 per cent above

and below the average.
The revised boundaries will mean that 61 of the 66 new constituencies will be within 6 per cent of the electoral quota or average of 539,155 (35,584,234 electors divided by

The commissioners were not required to take account of county and London borough boundaries, as they were in their last review of parliamentary constituencies.

The paramount consideration was simply the parity of electorates, they say. 1983 Review of European Assembly Constituencies. Stationary Office.

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Tory gains forecast, page 4.

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#### Champagne and caviar as Concorde heads for Miami

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

Brtiish Airways' Concorde trend-setting state, growing very opened a new chapter yesterday with a 4,900-mile flight to Miami that began as Londoners sat down to lunch and ended as

prepared for several years.

Floridans were finishing theirs. The thrice-weekly service will provide a further boost to Concorde's aiready flourishing fortunes by tapping the rich business and leisure market of America's sunshine state whose logan - "The Future is Now" is peculiarly appropriate to the

flew to Washington, then would help boost BA's Con-supersonically down to Florida, corde profits from around £10m in Concorde's usual Lucullan styles champagne and canapés of caviar and pate de foie gras; fresh salmon mayonnaise: and English lamb with Château Gruard Laroche '76 or turbot with,a 1980 Mersault.

Among them were Lord Bessborough, aerospace minister in the 1970s when Concorde was getting off the ground; Britain's Ambassador in Washington, Sir Oliver Wright: and the Lieutenant-Governor of Florida, Mr Wayne Mixson. "We are really exited about it" Mr Mixson said. "We are a

fast - especially in high-tech nology industry, and Concorde will experience a big patronage from Florida and Latin Captain Brian Walpole, head of BA's Concorde division who piloted the aircraft, said: "This

is a milestone in the life of this unique and superb vehicle. It is British Airways' endorsement the long-term future of Concorde after prolonged nego-tiations with the Government Nearly a hundred passengers over support costs." The service last year to over £12m this, he

> The 61/2-hour flight cuts 21/2 hours off the direct London-Miami service by 747 jumbo at remarkably little extra cost to the rich and famous: £2,509 return by Concorde compared with £2,160 first class by 747. The cheapest London-Miami

scheduled return is £349. From this week the service will leave Heathrow at 1pm on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, and Miami at 9.30am on Wednes-day, Friday and Sunday, calling

#### Sale room

#### Smart miniatures reach giddy new heights

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

popular eighteenth century portrait miniature painters but never has his work been bid to such giddy heights as at Christie's yesterday. A pair of miniatures of Sir Charles and Lady Helena Oakeley. 24 in ovals framed in rose diamonds, sold for £49.680 (estimate £15,000 to £20,000). Sir Charles was governor of Madras from 1972-94 and

tures were painted in 1786 and are delightful, with subtle colouring and fine condition. They were bought by a private collector from Switzer-

land with Leggatt the London dealer, as the underbidder. The auction had attracted all the keenest miniature buyers and the trend in prices was buovant. Although the serious competition was reserved for the best pieces. A superb John Hoskins miniature of a gentle-man, dated 1654 was bid to £17.280 (estimate £6,000 to

John Smart is one of the most Proceeds from the sale of historic music manuscripts and documents, which are being offered at Christie's today by Mr John O'Neill McGlintock. the grandson of the second Lord. special bank account, pending a High Court decision over ownership (the Press Associ-

ation reports).

Mr McGlintock's sister, Mrs Annette Rose Firth, of Coxily married his flighty young bride Hill, Cirencester, Gloucester-in India in 1777. The minia-

proceeds. She contends that the documents, found by her brother last December at the family home. Redhall, Ballycarry, Carrister gus, in Northern Ireland, were part of their late mother's

estate. Mr McGlintock denies the allegation and also contests that his sister has an interest in the documents, which include an unpublished Haydn Mass autoven and Mendelssohn, and Rossini.

#### Restoration jewel set to open

From John Young Grantham

Belton House, the latest and by far the costliest jewel in the National Trust's collection, opens its doors to the public on

Described as the finest Restoration house in Britain, it was acquired last year from Lord Brownlow with the aid of an £8m grant from the National Heritage Memorial Fund, nearly twice as much as it has given for any other purchase.

Yesterday the handsome grey house was looking in splendid condition, as journalists and photographers milled along its' treasures. Under wintry skies, crocuses and snowdrops sprouted from the lawns, and avenues of still-leafless trees stood sentinel across the parkland, leading the eye to views of distant follies.

-Belton, near Grantham, Liocolushire, was built in 1686 and, although long attributed to Sir Christopher Wren, was in fact the work of William Winde. The trust, not having to spend large sums on repairs, has been able to buy the lion's share of the contents, including two sets of tapestries which formed part of the original furnishings, and all the family portraits.

Among the house's chief delights are the ornate ceilings. characteristic of its period, and the tall canopied beds, one of which was used by Queen Adelaide, the widow of William IV, who lived there for a time. Among many rooms never seen by the public before is the

state dising room, with its three

huge canvasses by the seven-

teenth century Dutch painter, Melchior Hondecoeter.

It is a lovely house, light, warm and welcoming. Mr Brian

opening marked the coming of age of the fund, established four years ago. The example of Mentmore had shown that, if the saving of great houses were left to

governments, they would prob-



Guarding the treasures of Belton yesterday (Photograph: Brian Harris),

The trust has also acquired most of the early eighteenth ably be lost, he said. He might have added that it was a letter century furniture, a collection in The Times from Lord of Reynolds portraits and Brownlow's cousin, drawing Dutch and Italian old masters, attention to the impending sale of Belton and dispersal of its contents, that first awoke much Oriental porcelain and eighteenth and nineteenth century silver, and a fine array public attention. of leather-bound books in the

The house will be open from 1 pm to 5.30 pm from Wednesdays to Sundays and on Bank holidays until the end of October, apart from a period Lang, secretary of the heritage fund, said yesterday that the between April 24 and May 4 when it will be closed to accommodate Christies' sale of the contents not acquired by the trust. Admission costs £2 for adults, children £1.

> The trust said yesterday that it hoped for about 70,000 visitors in the first year.

#### Thatcher hint of curb on prescribing pill

The Prime Minister has dropped another hint that she favours stricter controls or even a prohibition on doctors prescribing contraceptives to girls consent (Ncholas Timmins

After being sent letters from three ethnic minority organis-tions backing Mrs Victoria Gillick's campaign on the pill. Mrs Margaret Thatcher has said the Government has every sympathy with the feeling which lie behind the points which have been made". In a letter to Mr Harry Greenway, Conservative MP for Ealing North, she says the correspondence has been passed to Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, who will, I am sur-take it account in reconsidering

his department's guidelines".

Supporters of the existing guidance, which allows doctors in some circumstances to prescribe contraceptives to girls under 16 without their parents consent, are convinced that Mrs Thatcher will find time for a parliamentary debate

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# Microchip drug infuser helped childless women to have babies

permanently infertile, some as long ago as 15 years ago, have There have been 19 deliveries hormone but by an unusual pattern of release of the of healthy children and one substance by the gland.

The women have responded to a new treatment for infertility which restores the levels of a hormone called LHRH in the

The hormone triggers a train of biochemical events ending in ovulation. It is produced by the hypothalamus gland, which also secretes a large family of other substances associated with the hody's sleeping and waking rhythm and other biological

The treatment, carried out by Professor Howard Jacobs at the Middlesex Hospital, London, and a team working with Dr Ian Robinson of the National Institute for Medical Research. is given when the biological

Solicitor to

fight ban on

advertising

Legal Affairs Correspondent

A fighting fund was launched

by a solicitor yesterday to

challenge a Law Society ban on

Mr Peter Browne, of Avon-

mouth. Bristol, is contesting in

the High Court the Society's

refusal to allow him to advertise

a self-help legal service, in which clients can be guided in

He has won leave to bring the

High Court challenge and he is now lobbying solicitors and

hope of raising sufficient funds

"do-ot-yourself" action.

Fifty women diagnosed as rhythm for LHRH has gone size of the standard music cassette which is strapped to the upper arm for about four or five In those cases infertility was not cause by an absence of the

The infuser contains a tiny plastic syringe, replaced at weekly intervals. The syringe holds the LHRH that is infused Yesterday Dr Robinson ex-plained that recent research had slowly by a small motor following a programme on a show that the action of some

hormones had been found to be impaired if they were released in an "abnormal" pattern. The infuser was developed originally for introducing insulin into diabetics in preference to intermittent injections. The The key is not the quantity but the intervals between the times at which the agent is only difference between the one used of the fertility hormone LHRH is most effective when ecreted into the bloodstream at and the one for insulin lies in the microchip.

The electronic controller, the 24-hour day, in the infer-tility cases which have resmaller than a postage stamp, can be chosen for any pattern corresponding to a natural cycle sponded to treatment, the for hormone therapy.

Other substances are being Under the new treatment the tested. One trial is for the hormone is fed into the administration of growth hor-bloodstream by a miniature mone to treat childen whose drug infuser, a device about the growth is retarded.

# Snuff sales go up

products have declined, and cigarette manufacturers are

are boosting production. cent in the British market.

Exports account for nearly other interested parties in the live snuff manufacturers, two of whose grinding mills are in Sheffield and the other three in Kendal.

to cover the first stages.

Mr Browne ran a "self-heip" The biggest of the snuff makers is J. and H. Wilson, a legal service for nine months before the Law Society said that advertising it amounted to "touting". But he contends that Sheffield · Imperial mo-advertising rule is unlawful as an unreasonable restraint of trade.

Under his scheme, clients were given guidance in filling in forms and writing letters where the case was not sufficiently large to justify big legal fees.

The whole question of advertising by solicitors is under review as part of the Government's proposed reforms on conveyancing. But Mr Browne says that advertising in a

examined. Recent steps by the Law Society allow lawyers to place "gravestone" advertisements in local mewspapers, provided that charges are not

after cigarette tax

cutting back on production capacity. Britain's snuff makers

90-minute intervals throughout

release was only once or twice a

Sales were up nearly 5 per cent last year, according to the latest returns of the Society of Snuff Grinders. Blenders and Purveyors, A big jump in exports more than offset a marginal decline of barely I per

half the production of Britain's

subsidiary of the Group. The other manufacturers, including the other Sheffield-based company Wilson and Co (Sharrow), are still small independent operations.

With British snuff production at 531,000 lbs last year, British snuff takers sniffed away about 270.000 fbs in about 500 blends.

Blends fall into three main categories: plain, the largest sector, mentholated and medicated snuffs; and aromatic snuffs, made with a variety of which is proving the big growth area as more smokers turn to what was once the most elegant way to take tobacco.

One advantage of snuff-is that unlike other tobacco products it carries no excise

While sales of other tobacco duty. Health warnings on snuff containers have also been ruled

unnecessary. Snuff costs from about 70p to £1.60 an ounce with prices showing little of the sharp acceleration seen particularly

with eigarettes. There are signs this year of a substantial increase in snuff sales in Britain, particularly since the Budget tax increases carlier this month on tobacco. which pushed up the price of a pack of 20 cigarettes by 10p.

Sales increases of between and 9 per cent are reported by Mr Vivian Rose, a director of G Smith and Sons, the Londonbased snuff blenders and re-

tailers. His company's sales were slightly up last year against the overall trend. He said: "Things like a miners' strike can have a big effect in some areas when workers who take snuff because of job conditions temporarily

"Particularly since the Budget we have had many people deciding to try snuff taking as

> UK snuff sales in lbs including exports

an alternative to smoking".

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Source: Society of Snuff Grinders Blenders and Purveyors

spent hours reading stories on ritchcraft and watching horror

The court was told that Aaron Lee was stabbed 20 times with a dagger on waste ground beside the London to Brighton rail line at Streatham last September, Commuters on a passing train saw the incident.

Inquest on gun dealer opens

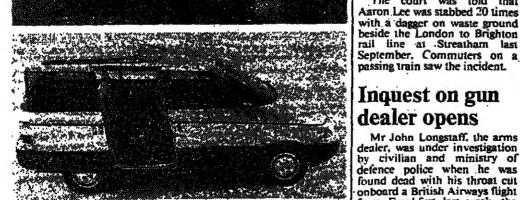
from Frankfurt last week, the

West London coroner was told

Mr Longstaff, aged 36, of Pudsey, West Yorkshire, had arranged to meet investigating

films on television.

#### Boy aged 15 guilty of murder A boy aged 15 was ordered to be detained during Her Maj-esty's pleasure after he was convicted at the Central Criminal Court yesterday of the "mindless and motiveless" murder of Aaron Lee, aged 8, of Streatham, south London. The boy was described by psychiatrists as a loner with problems of reasoning who fantasized about violence. He



Mrs Thatcher searching for the front in the Ford prototype and (above) a model of the All-Purpose Vehicle.

#### Thatcher is troubled by car of the future

The car of the future, with the front which the Prime Minister complains is invisible. was the centre of attention at the Design Centre in Haymarket, London, yesterday when the Drive Forward exhibition

opened to the public.

At a preview on Monday night Mrs Margaret Thatcher told Ford it would have to redesign its Ghia All-Purpose Vehicle (APV) for her. "I do not like it", she said. "I like to see where the front of the car is"

The APV's rounded front end achieves a drag coefficient of only 0.33, but neither that not, a 60° windscreen would reconcile Mrs Thatcher. Mr David Burgess-Wise, of Ford, tried to convince Mrs Thatcher that she could not really see the furthest extremities of her Jaguar either, but he was forced to admit: "You cannot

Mr Alan Jackson, Ford designer, said part of the design philosophy was that in a collision the impact should be as friendly as possible.

There are few modern cars on which the driver, whatever his or her height, can see the front, if the front is taken to mean the furthest forward

Another trend in the exhibition to which Mrs Thatcher raised objection was the use of greater window areas. Cars would overheat, she said, and become more suitale for growing tomatoes than travelling in.

Miss Frances Mann, the exhibition researcher, said vesterday: "In fact the greenhouse effect will not be as great as the Prime Minister fears. The mouldings are likely to be polycarbons, not glass, and they could be tinted pink, orange or even blue".

#### doubts over Intoximeter breath test By Rupert Morris

**Increasing** 

Doubts increased yesterday about the legal machinery surrounding use of the Intoxi-meter 3000 breath-test machine as the manufacturers responded to allegations in yesterday's Daily Express.

Earlier concern prompted the Home Office to announce on Monday that motorists failing evidential breath tests would be able, for a six-month period from April 16, to insist on blood or urine tests. The Court of Appeal decided on the same day that the Express would publish confidential documents about the intoximeter.

Mr Alan Beaven, a barrister who has specialized in defend ing motorists accused of drink and drive offences, said "It is outrageous that it should have taken the disclosure of these documents to persuade the Home Office to allow blood

He said the amount of breath required to provide an Intoximeter sample was tested only once before the machine was put into use, and was never subsequently checked.

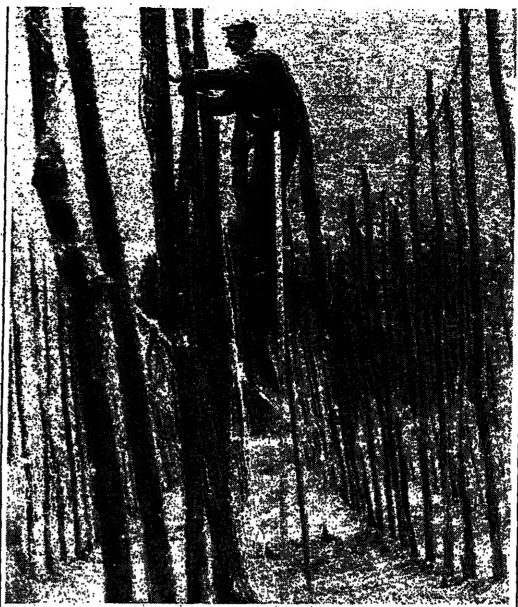
However, Dr Paul Williams, marketing director of the manufacturers Lion Laboratories, of Barry, South Glamorgan accused the Daily Express of "distortion" in its presentation of the case,

He said the newspaper had used only material that supported its own view, had failed to use any police evidence and had used technical data without any attempt to understand its

· The Home Office, which revealed that since the Intoximeter was introduced on May 6. there had been 8,000 to 10,000 evidential breath tests a month in the United Kingdom, said it was satisfied the machines were working satisfactorily.

But the courts may have

severe problems over the next few weeks dealing with motorists accused solely on the evidence of the Intoximeter.



Poles apart: Mr John Howland, of Ospringe Kent, using stilts for hop stringing as he has done for the past 32 years. But it is a dying skill as most hop farms use poles operated from the ground to hang the string. (Photograph John Voos).

#### Battle for video rental market

Britain's television rental shops are to be offered a new model video recorder from Philips, based on Japanese technology in preference to the company's own.

The new machines, designed of the Intoximeter.

on the VHS system developed recorders in British homes and remain Leading article, page 15 by the Japan Victor Company have helped the VHS system to share.

are an attempt by the European control about 72 per cent of the electronics giant to regain some rental and retail trade. of the video recorder market lost to the Japanese, particularly through the reutal market. The rental outlets supply more than

While Philips's recorders account for 20 per cent of European video sales, in Britain they have only 4 per cent. The 40 per cent of the six million Sony Betamax system has the remainder left after the VHS

money for a fixed period, say between 1 and 5 years.

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#### Colleges to profit from work under Joseph law

By Lucy Hodges Education Corresponden

A new law to enable polytechnics and local authority colleges to make money form their own inventions and consultancy work was proposed vesterday by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of

There has been considerable discontent because these institutions are not allowed to undertake commercial activities particularly as the Government wishes to see education re-sponding to industry's needs.

Sir Keith told the Commons yesterday that he intended to ntroduce legislation freeing local authority further edu-cation establishments from this

A new law would enable ploytechnics and colleges to do ploytechnics and coneges to acconsultancy work and contracted research, to exploit thier inventions. 10 take part in research with industry, to do routine testing and to set up advisory services, Mr Michael Lewis, secretary

of the Committee of Directors of Polytechnics, said the proposed was "very good news" Most polytechnics are not corporate bodies and are subject to the financial regulations of the organizations funding them. the local authorities.

 Sir Keith has been accused of being philistine in asking universities to review funding and shift further towards technology, science and engincering courses.

A letter from Aberdeen

University says lecturers and others are saddened by the undervaluing of humanities and social sciences shown in his request

Professor George McNicol. Aberdeen's vice-chancellor, has also told the University Grants Committee: "There could be a swing back towards the arts and social sciences as young people try to understand themselves and look for moral, cultural and religious values in a materially orientated society."

# "What would I get if I put £10,000 in the money market, Griffin?"



officers at Leeds airport. The inquest was adjourned for three weeks. Boat carpenter

wins £900 Mr Peter Divers, a carpenter, was dismissed after failing to fit special supports in two cabin cruisers with the result that the

decks moved when the vessels

Yesterday Mr Divers, aged 36. of Wolverley, Hereford and Worcester, was granted £900 by an industrial tribunal for unfair dismissal by Dawncraft Cruisers, of Stourport-on-Severn. He complained he was not instructed about the supports and was dismissed without warning.

Nest scheme Artificial bird bests are being built by the Welsh Water Authority as part of a £3m flood defence scheme for Bridgend, South Wales. Nesting pipes are being incorporated into the

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#### SECRETS ACT

No Government could carry on its business unless it could trust those in the Civil Service who had charge of security documents to keep those documents to themselves. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during question time

exchanges in the Commons. She was responding to one of a number of questions concerning Miss Sarah Tisdall, the Foreign Office Clerk, imprisoned for six months for leaking a Government document on cruise missiles to The Guardian newspaper.

Mr Terence Lewis (Worsely, Lab) hegan the exchanges, by saving. The savage sentence meted out to Miss Tisdall contrasts sharply with the establishment cover-up (Loud ( onservative interruption) The Speaker (Mr Bernard Weathe-

Mr Lewis: Would the Prime Minister agree the time has arrived when sentencing policy ought to be reviewed in view of cases that affect national security as against those that do not?

Mrs Thatcher: No. I believe sentencing is a matter for the courts. We are in certain cases, proposing next year to introduce the right to appeal against sentences but it would not apply to the particular case. It would only be where it was thought that the sentence was unduly low and would be guidance

Mr Cranley Oaslow (Woking, C): Does Mrs Thatcher think any government of this country could

An attempt by a person in the Lord

Chancellor's office to get a proof copy of a *Hansard* report of a

special standing committee taking evidence on a Bill, misfired and led to publication of a full report of the

committee's proceedings being

The matter was raised in the Commons by Mr Merlyn Rees

(Leeds, South, Lab), chairman of the committee, and the Speaker said

that he had inquired into the matter

Mr Rees said that he raised as a

point of order a matter of concern to him, as chairman of the special

committee set up to take evidence under the Matrimonial and Family

Proceedings Bill.
The matter (he said) gives rise to

a complaint against someone in the Lord Chancellor's Department, as a

from Mr Kenneth Morgan, Editor of

the Official Report.
It said: "My attention has been drawn to a half report of the third

sitting of your committee on March
23. This half report was made
available, I understand, as a result
of pressure from the Lord Chancel-

Chancellor's department.

COMMITTEES

'Hansard' forced to

do things by half

the Official Secrets Act were so amended as to leglise the wilful betraval of trust?

Any civil servant of any grade who supposes himself or herself to be the victim of a conflict of loyalties should either ask to be transferred to non-seeming work or resign from the service. (Conserva-

tive cheers). Mrs Thatcher: I agree with him. I note that when the matter came up during the lifetime of the last government. during June 1976. the then Prime Minister said: "There must be absolute confidence that papers and discussions that take place are kept within the circle to whom they are given."

"The then Leader of the Opposition said "We fully share his view about the gravity of the matter, It is essential that the confidentiality of documents should be ensured." He was right and I was right in supporting him. (Conservative cheers).

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Labr. How can she justify imprison-ment under Section 2 of the Official Secrets Act which was described by the present Home Secretary (Mr Leon Brittan) six years ago as

Mrs Thatcher: The Franks report on the Official Secrets act was published in 1972. A Labour Government held office from 1974 to 1979 and did not over five years introduce legislation. They could have done so but they did not.
In 1979 we introduced legislation which did not find favour in the House. We have no intention of introducing further legislation at

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Rates Bill, com-pletion of remaining stages. Lords (2.30): Debate on White Paper on

Lewis: Savage sentence

and cover-up.

Mr Edward Leigh (Gainsborough and Horncastle, C): Is she aware of the internal CND document on

cruise which instructs members to

render the deployment of cruis

missiles militarily uscless by informing the world, including our

enemies, exactly where they are

This confirms the impression of many Conservatives MPs that Lenin's willing dupes in the CND are now doing the CND's dirty work

Mrs Thatcher: That is correct. They

are making a fundamental attack of the defence, security and liberty of our country, including liberties enabling them to have freedom of

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed. Lr. The country would be far better governed if a Freedom of

Information Act could protect those areas which ought to be in the public domain and leave the law to protect

Mrs Thatcher: There are certain matters which it is vital to keep confidential, both for security and

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commerical reasons.

publication of standing committee reports only from my office. To proceed otherwise is a recipe for Mr Rees continued: I simply say that it is not easy for a printer, whom I believe is a subcontractor, these days, is he gets a call from the Lord Chancellor's office. You never

know who is talking.

In our sitting, there was a conflict
between what the Lord Chancellor
said in the House of Lords and what the President of the Family Division said to us on Thursday.

He was concerned that someone from the Lord Chancellor's Office had got on direct to the printer, and not through Hansard. This was a new committee which depended on evidence. Government departments had to be told that they did not control Hansard. Hansard was responsible to the House and to no

Sir Patrick Mayhew. Solicitor General, said that he had made inquines into what had happened.

result of which, on March 23, Hansard printers dealing with the report were stopped from dealing with it by someone in the Lord The committee had been told that there was disparity on a particular This was a serious matter. It was relevant that on Thursday, valuable evidence had been given by Lord issue between what the President of the Family Division had said and a Scarman to the committee, and by Sir John Arnold, president of the Family Division, both written and oral, and both of which were to be speech by the Lord Chancellor. The president had already undertaken to submit a further written memor-andum. So that the matter could be had asked that a copy of Thursday's The first I knew of it (he said) was Hansard be obtained as soon as when a letter was given to me this morning, addressed to the clerk,

The printers undertook to try to obtain proof copies from the

subcontractors.

I am sorry (he said) that this initiative of mine, taken solely in the interest of putting the fullest information before the committee at its final meeting, led to a delay in

The Speaker (Mr Bernard Weatherill): The House will accept and the full version was not available until today.

"As a result of this episode I have the explanation. I have looked into circumstances to repeat this exercise the kind happens again.

#### Lyceum Club sold to **Post Office**

The Government has sold the Lyceum Club, Liverpool, to the Post Office for £320,000, Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, said in a Commons written answer. The contract of sale requiring that the principal historic and architectural features of the building should be restored and

preserved. He added: The Post Office have indicated that they will incorporate these features in a scheme of rehabilitation and conversion involving a variety of uses connected

retail centre. I am pleased that this important, historic Liverpool landmark has found a new owner, and will soon have a new lease of life which will allow the public the fullest opportunity of enjoying and appreciating its outstanding qual-

ities.
Built in 1801-2 to designs by Thomas Harrison the neo-classical building, home of the first public lending library, is listed Grade IL It 1980 to save it from redevelopment proposals involving its demolition. The Post Office intends to restore and convert it to a variety of uses.

#### Veterans going to Normandy

Mr John Standley, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, said in a Commons written reply that he expected to be able to indicate shortly whether his department would be able to offer assistance to Second World War veterans planning to go to Normandy for the fortieth anniversary celebrations of the D Day lendings. the D Day landings.

He understood that several

thousand veterans had made

#### **Authorities** too slow in contracting out

#### PM's QUESTIONS

Unly 23 contracts involving the privatization of local authority services had been completed. Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during commons questions.

Although they resulted in annual savings of £7m she said the progress in privatization had been disap-

Mr David Atkinson, (Bournemouth, East. (), who raised the issue, had asked if she was satisfied with the progress being made by local authorities to privatize services. Mrs Thatcher: No. I am still dissatisfied with the progress which

local authorities are making in seeking greater value for money by purting their services to the test of We are continuing to study what measures can be taken to speed up

Mr Atkinson: There is ample evidence from those Conservative councils that have had the guts and visions to put out their services to private enterprise that this is the most positive form of capping rates. Will she consider introducing legislation which will oblige all local authorities to compare costs of existing services with those provided by tender by the private

Mrs Thatcher: I agree there are great oppportunities in reducing expenditure by submitting contracts to private competition, So far progress has been disappointing.

I hope we can be much more successful in persuading local authorities to go out to private competition. I shall be reluctant to commit us to legislation because it would be a very technical measure to put before the House.

#### Howe under the same instructions

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, explained in the Commons that Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, was under the same instructions as she imposed upon herself in negotiations over Britain's contributions to the European Community.

Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition. had raised during question time Sir Geoffrey Howe's visit to Brussels for the meeting of EEC foreign ministers.

In his negotiations (asked Mr Kinneck) is the Foreign Secretary under instructions to ensure that any agreement he makes will contain a provision for rebates to the UK that are sufficient to offset the additional £675m in contri-butions which would arise if our own resources subscriptions were to go up from 1 per cent to 1.4 per cent?

Mrs Thatcher: He is instructed, if i may use ... (prolonged laughter). He is under the same instructions as I imposed upon myself.

#### Police doing superb job over pickets

The police were doing a superb job enabling miners to go through to their place of work, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said

Answering a question by Mr David Ashby (North West Leicester-Thatcher said: We are totally and utterly against intimidation of people who are trying to go about their law abiding business.

#### Minister unmoved by Conservative demands to amend Rates Bill This was not an improvement in created, it alters seriously the whole save expenditure and it is not even

#### RATE CAPPING

The local authority associations remained united in their total opposition to the Rates Bill. Dr John Cunningham, chief Opposition spokesman on the environment (Copland, Lab), said in opening in the Commons the report stage of the Bill which empowers the Government to limit the rates made and precepts issued by local authorities. Moving a new clause he said its

purpose was to prevent the Government having three different systems or amounts of money under which it could control the budgets of local authorities which might be designated under the Bill's provisions. The new clause sought to ensure that the highest of the three figures should be used for all

It was important to try to find out what was in the Government's thinking for the future about the fact that it intended to use three different spending norms for individual authorities.

It was questionable whether a

overnment should set a norm for a local authority at all and doubtful whether two norms was sensible or practicable. To have three different norms was surely stupid in the extreme. Yet that would be the situation if this Bill went ahead in its present form.

The local authority ass

also remained united in their oppositions to the Government's intention that grant-related expendi-ture should be the central test on which it based its decisions to apply the measures contained in the Bill, Such a test was rejected by both previous Secretaries of State for the Environment in this administration. The present Secretay for State has reneged on persistent and numerous assurances to the House and local government on that key issue and

The new clause also dealt with expenditure guidance issued by the Secretary of State using his powers under the Local Government Finance Act 1982. This expenditure guidance had been enforced by massive grant penalties and was clearly central government's view of how much a local authority should

be spending.

The Government had not only consistently reduced the resources available to councils but also confused and unsettled local government to the point where the working relationship between cen-tral and local government was worse than at any time in living memory.

impose its will centrally on local government, was not concerned about the level of services but with its overwhelming desire to cut local government expenditure for the sake of cutting it.

The Opposition did not dissent from the Secretary of State's objective in seeking greater efficiency and improved perform-ance from local authorities, but this was not the way to achieve it. The Government was forcing indiscriminate cuts on those people entrusted with the responsibility of providing services as important as education. the police, fire services and services to the elderly and the chronically

The Government's policies were undermining the vital services, and causing further disadvantage in particularly to black and ethnic

efficiency but a widening of the gap between the haves and the have

The use of the powers in the Bill to control the budgets of a small number of authorities was unlikely to produce any significant net savings to the Treasury in terms of public expenditure.

The new clause would prevent ministers having three different ways by which to tax local authorities performance.

Mr Geoffrey Rippon (Hexham. C) said this attempt to determine in Whitehall the needs of every local authority would not work. It was just as hopeless as when, during the last war, an attempt had been made to introduce ligislation to measure rhubarb leaves and the translucency of cegs (laughter).
This Bill (he said) will neither

work efficiently nor work with justice. Nor will it contribute one iota to the general good of the country as a whole.

Public spending was running at about £126bn a year. On the best estimates of the Government itself.



Prentice: Listen to mass of expert opinion.

the rate capping provisions would save £300m out of £12bn in expenditure. But even that was

Acts of Parliament which were basically unworkable and so confused that hardly anybody could understand them would not produce a more efficient or cheaper system of government. The new clause at least tried to bring a measure of clarity to the situation.

If Parliament (he said) is to give to the Secretary of State such sweeping powers as are now envisaged to pick on one authority or another we should define those powers with much greater clarity.

Nobody objects to the limitation of the rate burden or, where appropriate, to a reduction in the total percentage of Government grant, or to measures which bring greater efficiency or bring pressure on local authorities which are spending unwisely. But to make general, sweeping observations that such a Bill as this will make some dramatic reduction in public expenditure is absurd.

The only way to deal with the sort of problems they were discussing today was to have a thorough restructuring of local government

finance.
Indeed (he continued) one of thy objections to the Bill is that it dodges the whole issue of local government finance and the real necessity to reduce the rate burden on domestic and non-domestic

ratepayers.

relationship between central and local government. What we are considering in the light of the Government's White Paper is the so called doctrine of the unitary state and the principles of parliamentary He hoped that before Conserva-

tive MPs supported this measure they would bear in mind that they would be doing so contrary to every precept of the rule of law for which the Conservative Party had ever

Mr John Cartwright (Woolwich. SDP) said he supported the new clause because it reminded MPs that the Bill had not appeared out of a vacuum. The general view in the com-

mittee which considered the Bill was that the grant-related expenditure system was rough justice, but the only system available based on a local authority's need to spend.

Given its past record (he added) I understand why the Government needs a belt and braces. But to need

string is going a bit far.

The new clause would go a long way towards simplifying the system and introducing an element of natural justice.

Mr Reginald Prentice (Daventry, C) said the Bill was had and would not become an acceptable by any

The Government should listen to the mass of expert criticism, particularly from Conservative

He hoped that the Government would be encouraged to make minimum use of the powers, Any use of those powers was potentially damaging because it opened a new chapter in the relationship between central and local government. For many years, governments of all parties had had powers in that direction but had relied on persuasion, using carrot and stick

apparatus.
To take the new step of laying down maximum expenditure of local authorities changed the constitutional relationship. If those powers were pursued widely and used more and more every year, it would be the beginning of the end to

He supported the new clause because the unamended Bill would be the beginning of the end for local democracy.

Mr Authory Beaumont-Dark (Birmingham. Selly Oak, C) who said he supported the new clause and would be voting against the Bill, said the way it was decided how much local thorities should get was so unjust and so easy for some to comply with was no sense of natural justice.

How is it (he said) that we have sublimely to lie back and say this country cannot find a better way for local taxation to be raised? This is the only country that needs these draconian powers and we are the cradle of democracy. Disraeli said that centralism was

the death blow of freedom. And so it is. We cannot expect local authorities to play the game if we do not play the game with them. The present system was a Russian

roulette and determined that the needs of old people in Bournemouth were the same as those in Aston in Birmingham. This led to iniquities and a sense of unfairness.

This Bill concentrates government power to an unparalleled extent since local authorities were solutions or disappointed. This Bill in not going to majority, 108.

#### Mr Chris Smith (Islington South

and Finsbury. Lab) said every single borough in inner London, whether, Labour of Conservative, was spending 16 per cent above its grant related assessment figure for social services. It could not possibly be that every authority was wrong and the Department of Environment was right

Mr Patrick Cormack (South Staffordshire. C) said this was bad law in the making. It flew directly in the face of Tory tradition and

One of his most unhappy recent experiences was to talk with the elected councillors of South Staffordshire. Tories almost to a man and woman. He had never seen: them more sadly united against the Government and its approach to

local government.
This was a classic case of exciting. expectations that could not be fulfilled. People thought that something was being done about the rates, in fact the central issue of the rates was being fudged.

Any true Tory who considered himself to be a member of the party of Disraeli, who was against too much government interference and for the freedom of individual and the balance of the relationship ment must pause and say: "Is this mass of technical nonsense which is going to save at the very most a tiny a sum, worth supporting or is it to be a confined to the dustbin?

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Sir George Young, Under Secretary, of State for the Environment, said-grant related expenditure (GRE) was a yardstick for use in the distribution by Government of the block grant. It had always been accepted that these were not

expenditure targets.

The purpose of the individual targets was to achieve the reduction expenditure which the Secretary of State thought necessary having regard to general economic cor

Substituting the higher of target or GRE would have a significant effect on the block grant. It would significantly reduce rates of authorities with targets most above GRE, by increasing their grants.

The effect of the new clause. would be to give more money to the extravagant authorities and, as a consequence, less money to those who had been more responsible.

Effectively expenditure levels set under the Rates Bill could not be exceeded by local authorities. Precisely because these levels could had provided in the Bill for a redetermination procedure which, allowed the Secretary of State to-take into account the particular circumstances of individual local

Mr Jack Straw, an Opposition spokesman on the environment (Blackburn, Lab), said if 20 or so authorities were rate capped their services would suffer badly but as some Conservative MPs had said, for all that suffering the Govern-ment would still not get its savings. There was no way in which the Government could achieve the savings postulated in the White Paper by making cuts in the hit list

# Right to buy

An Opposition proposal might result in almost all one or two apartment houses in Scotland being excluded from the right to buy. Lord Gray of Contin, Minister of State, Scotlish Office, said during the committee stage of the Tenants' Rights, Etc (Scotland) Amendment Bill in the House of Lords.

A new clause, moved by Lord Ross of Marmock (Lab) sought to prevent the sale of council houses which the local authority usually let to elderly people.

The new clause was rejected by

#### Study into provision of oxygen equipment

Asked to encourage and support British companies to develop and expand the production and use of British-designed oxygen equipment, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said in a written reply in the Commons A number of companies already sell oxygen concentrators in this country, some of which are manufactured in the United Kingdom.

State for Health, has recently commissioned from the accountcommissioned from the accoun-ants. Arthur Andersen and Com-pany, a study of the arrangements for the supply of domiciliary oxygen. We will decide in the light of the results of the study the extent to which oxygen concentrators should replace the existing arrange-ments for the provision of existing

therapy to domiciliary patients.

#### Digitalization :

Mr Kenneth Baker, Minister for Information Technology, in a Commons written reply, said: BT sim, under their accelerated programme of digitalization, to have two million digital exchange lines in service by 1986, double their original target.

network by the end of the decade.

# Single parents criticize

The Government's divorce is examined line by line by MPs Gingerbread said: "It is imposs-form proposals were widely next month.

Gingerbread said: "It is imposs-ible to separate the living reform proposals were widely next month. criticized by three separate pressure groups, representing single parents and women, which appeared before a special Commons committee yester-Gingerbread, a national association of one-parent families with about 13,000 members, said the "whole focus" of the Maurimonial and Familiy Pro-

The presure group said the ccedings Bill was wrong. Together with the National Council for One Parent Families and Rights of Women, it condemned the proposed changes on maintenance law and the effect those would have on children of divorced couples. The Bill, introduced by the

would allow divorce after 12 months of marriage and so remove the present three-year discretionary time ban. It would also put an end to a former wife's so-called "meal ticket for A special standing committee

ested parties on the most

contentious pieces of the pro-

posed legislation before the Bill

Lord Chancellor in the Lords,

In written evidence. Gingerbread said the Bill concentrated on the battle of the sexes . between former husbands and wives. "The real issue is not between men and women, it is about children and the balance of financial responsibility between the custodial and noncustodial parent."

Bill failed to give proper cut in income because of the new maintenance proposals. placed on the conduct of parties

during marriage would lead to bitterness and hardship for the families involved. is taking evidence from interwhich principle - children first

or misconduct punished? - is to Miss Robbi Robson for riage as a 'meal ticket."

#### Tories 'will win 58 Euro seats

it was predicted yesterday (our Political Reporter writes). For a 43.5 per cent share of

is that, although it purports to 26.1 per cent of the votes the Liberal SDP Alliance would win only one seat.

> the campaign announced that it had collected 600,000 signatures for a national petition calling for a referendum on proportional representation.

The forecast was published as



Henry Moore at St Paul's for the installation of his sculpture (right).

Mr Henry Moore, the sculptor, confined to a wheelchair by illness, visited St. Paul's Cathedral yesterday to see his status "Mother and Child" installed in the North Choir Aisle. Mr Moore, aged 85, had

to the Cathedral as a gift. It represents the Virgin and He travelled from his home in Hertfordshire to be present at the installation and after-wards declared himself "very

presented the seven foot high, two-too white marble sculpture

The Dean of St Paul's, Dr

for some years to persuade him to create a sculpture for a cathedral, because there are few great

ward in this country in enabling artists to give of their art". Dr Webster said. "Today the religious spirit needs the artists to be strong in a world where we are tempted to materialism."

The last great work of art given to St Paul's was Holman Hunt's painting "The Light of the World" in the last century. For Mr Moore, yesterday

After a meeting with the cathedral's davisers and craftsmen he worked through much of the night and for several days to

Mother and child is one of the favourite recurring themes in Mr Moore's work.

This will include 30 truck units? and 1,200 System X local exchanges. They intend to have completed the full digitalization of the trunk

# divorce reform proposals

protection to one-parent families and that many would face a It criticized the failure to give real priority to children and said the added emphasis being

The whole idea of the level of maintenance being affected by the conduct of the parties conflicts with principle of putting the children first. If it is the custodial parent who is deemed to have been 'at fault'

standard of the children from that of the caring parent. If the

parent is forced to live in selfsufficient poverty, it is the children who will be forced to suffer, too." The National Council for One Parent Families said muchneeded impovements in matrimonial legislation and procedure were needed in order to achieve child-centred divorce. "Our concern about the Bill

put children first, in reality it could achieve the reverse." The council said the Bill's two main aims - the primary importance of children and restriction of some maintenance rights of women - were in conflict

In the most outspoken attack

on the Bill, Rights of Women said the proposals on maintenance reform were a pernicious irrelevance. The most objectionable assumptions are the implicit labelling of women who receive maintenance as 'alimony drones' and the insulting prop-

will not receive the usual increases next year to take account of inflation. In ad-

The Conservative Party will win 58 of the 78 seats in Britain in the European elections in June if the nation votes as it did at the general election last year,

the votes it would get a 74.4 share of the seats, further exaggerating the distortion in the general election results, according to a study by Mr Michael Steed, of Mancheter University, released by the Campaign for Fair Votes.

Mr Steed predicts that the Conservatives would be given an even greater advantage of seats over votes than they have at Westminster. For a 28.3 per cent share of the votes the Labour Party would win 24.4 per cent of 19 seats, while for a

Mr Roy Jenkins, former leader of the Social Democrats and the campaign chairman, said that it was receiving a

#### osition that women treat marpositive response £2m research cuts

The Medical Research Coun- buy new equipment, but direccil has decided how to distribute to of those units will be free to cuts of £2m next year among its freeze staff vacancies to release funds to support their general There are 60 groups entirely budgets. funded by the council, and they The council also supports

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

more than 1,400 project grants in universities. Some savings will be made by cuting back on the increases which are usually dition, their budgets for recurrent expenses will be reduced.

There will be little money to

St Paul's gets Moore statue

twentieth century sculptures in British cathedrals. "We have been very backmake his first maquette.

The model went to Tuscany, where Italian masons who have worked with Mr Moore for years, carved the work in travertine marble. It was brought to Britain late last year and he supervised the final

# Climbing warnings

may stop By Ronald Faux
A warning service which
alerts hill walkers and climbers
in the Lake District of severe weather may be abandoned for

safety reasons. Mr Joe Boothroyd, chairman of the Lake District Mountain Accident Association, said that far from staying away from the hills when a warning had been issued, some enthusiasts regarded the danger as a challenge and deliberately set out when they had been told conditions

were bad. "It has reached a point where the National Park wardens who. have been giving out warnings this winter now wonder whether they are counter-productive Mr Boothrovd said.

The weekend after accidents in which three people died and three were injured, there was a-rush of people to the area, "I do not believe they were being goulish, they were simply wanting to pit themselves against that mountain in dangerous conditions. They seem to believe it will not hance to them?" he said happen to them". he said.

Last year, was the worste on record for mountain accidents in the Lake District. The association's report, published yesterday, said 21 people had been killed, and 128 injured in the area. The 15 volutieer rescue teams tackled 182 incidenis. 35 more than the previous highest total. Helicopters and mountain

rescue teams were searching fil the Cairngorm mountains yesterday for Mr Eamonn McCarol. aged 22, a student from Glasgow, missing since the weekend. Less than three months ago, he fell 700ft down Ben Nevis and escaped with

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Mental health care: 3

# Doctor protests over cost of hospital cash cuts

debate over the closure and rundown of mental hospitals which have aroused anxiety over the policy of community care for the mentally ill.

It is among six London hospitals which are the first of 30 expected to be gradually closed by the Government over

Fifteen years ago the impressive Victorian building housed 2.000 patients. That has been cut to 800, and last July the North-cast Thames Regional Health Authority, announce that beds would be cut to 200 by

Psychiatrists at Friern, in-cluding Dr Patrick Campbell, a consultant, have unusually "gone public" in their protest. "My fear is that many of those already discharged have disappeared on to the streets, or live in appalling squalor because of community neglect. Now the hard rump are to go, and I cannot see any will to prevent the same thing happening to

As Friem runs down, the £12m annual running cost will be transferred to the district health authorities, Bloomsbury, Islington, Haringey, and Hamp-stead, and the social services departments within its catch-

Dr Campbell believes it will cost three times as much to provide high-care homes for the Friem Consultant points to the

Friern. He claims that the health authority is basing its assessment of needs on the average incidence of mentally ill

The closure of up to one third of Britain's mental hospitals will, in the eyes of many prolessionals, simply add to the burden of caring for former patients which the community has already shown itself unwilling to bear. COLIN HUGHES concludes a veries by looking of concludes a series by looking at the debate surrounding the rundown of one London hospital out of six scheduled for closure.

cople in Britain, when London's rate is three times higher because so many vagrants drift in to the capital.

"Awful though it is, this place does provide some protection against the deficiencies of the service outside." he says.

In practice the transfer of responsibility is being frustrated by friction between the multi-plied responsible authorities. Professional rivalries and buckpassing are being built into a service that demands cooperation, according to Dr John McArthy, a Richmond Fellowship officer for hostel provision, who has been trying in vain to persuade the authorities to invovie voluntary groups in providing new homes.

Dr Malcolm Weller, also a disturbed patients at present three-year waiting list. going to get worse.

"At current rates of developing community care it will take 40 years to provide for the people who have already discharged. never mind those who are supposed to go over the next

The regional health authority's answer is double fund-ing. Friem will continue to receive resources to extend its halfway house rehabilitation reputedly among the world's best, and to maintain its other services while equivalent funds are passed over to the district and local authorities. "Its planned chaos," Mrs

Pamela Jenkinson, an adviser on Friero and other closures to the National Schizophrenia Fellowship, says. The Govern-ment sees this as a perfect opportunity to save money. They are using the goodwill over community care to implement cuts."

Other Friern defenders, such as consultant Dr Julian Leff, insist on maintaining optimism. "This has to be seen as a large scale experiment which has been going on for many years with some degree of success." If facilities are not provided then doctors should refuse to release them, but the principle must not be sacrificed.

Dr Campbell remains sceptical. "The history of mental health as been a series of scandals. The last was overcrowding and poor conditions. This is the next one, and it's.

#### Price cuts in petrol may offset **Budget rise**

By David Young Energy Correspondent

Petrol price increases caused by the Budget could be wiped out by a new wave of price cuts. Esso has given financial support to dealers in the Northwest. Bristol and South Wales allowing cuts at the pumps of 3p

The Budget increased petrol prices by 5p a gallon five weeks after Esso cut prices nationally by 4p. Pump prices now average 184.1p for four-star.

Esso's initiative has reduced the price at selected sites to 181p and the other companies are preparing to match those prices as well as introducing promotion campaigns.

Esso has renewed dealer support because supermarket chains are marketing petrol aggressively.

Smaller independent marketing companies have bought petrol on the Rotterdam spot market at around \$282 a tonne. At that price profit can still be made at a pump price of 180p.

BP Oil, which yesterday announced profits on last year's petrol and oil sales of £53m, compared with a £39m loss in 1982. launches a £2m promotion today offering prizes of between 50p and £20,000.

The campaign comes after Shell's "Make Money" cam-paign which has increased sales at its filling stations by an estimated 20 per cent.

#### Realities of El Salvador's election

Front runner: Señor Duarte (lest) claiming a win with his

running-mate, Senor Rodolfo Castillo Claramount.

How voters were left in the dark

"Whoever wins will have to adjust himself to the realnes to El Salvador's social, political and military realities," re-marked Lieutenant-Colonel Domingo Monterrosa as we sat at dinner in a restaurant opposite his barracks in the provincial capital of San Miguel on the eve of Sunday's presidential elections.

We are and talked darkness because the guerrillas had sabotaged the town's electricity supplies. Then sud-denly the lights came on again soon lorry-loads of the colonel's troops drove past, cheering their success in restoring the power supply so promptly. They were barely out of sight when the lights went out

again.
The colonel seemed pleased with his latest offensive which, he said, had pushed the rebels back into their strongholds to make voting possible in many previously rebel-held towns.

As we were driven back to our hotel a shot rang out. "Colonel, they are shooting!" came the nervouse voice of a soldier from the back of our jeep. Colonel Monterrosa bid us

a calm goodnight without dipping the lights of his vehicle.
The next morning we set off to watch polling in the northeast of the country which has borne the brunt of four years of civil war. We were not three miles out of town when we ran into the guerrillas at the first of their many road blocks we were to see that day. Under their guns we stepped from our car to

."We are mining the road," the guerrillas said. "But we have not done so yet, so you may go ahead. Be careful on your way

The colonel had told us that Where towns were full of

many of the mines planted by soldiers, we saw long queues of guerrillas to keep transport of the roads during the elections were dummies. None the less. voters waiting to cast their votes. There was also much the only traffic we saw on the road throughout the day was cither Army or press. At ever crossroads large groups of people waited in vain for a bus

or a long to carry them to the urns. But nothing was moving. As we drove north towards the rebel stronghold of northern Morazan we found small groups of peasants walking to the polling stations. But for many others the journey was either too far or too dangerous.

confusion. The complex, computerized polling system was just too much for the Salvadorean country folk, of whom 17 per cent is illiterate. Many had queued for hours to find that their names and

identity numbers were not on the list. They wandered off forlornly to another polling station. It was mid-afternoon before in vigilators began to abandon the system to scribble names on the back of the neat computer print-outs.

The £1m computer donated

to be doing more to undermine the elections than the modest muscle flexing we had seen

from the rebels.

At Osicala, on the edge of "bandit country", we bumped into Mr Thomas Pickering, the American Amassador, who declared himself pleased with what he was seeing people walking miles and waiting patiently to exercise their

democratic right. "Can you imagine people doing this in California?" he asked. We pushed on, across the Torola river into northern Morazan. The bridge had been blown up so we grove through the river entering the town of Meangera, crumbling and abandoned with not even a dog in sight. Walking ahead of the car in search of mines we eventually ran into another guerrilla

road block. No, the guardillas sate, we could not go further to talk to people in towns above us which the ballot boxes could not

reach.
In late afternoon, the square in front of the cathedral at San Vicente was packed. The voting was obviously very lively. The military band struck up a tune. It took a few moments to recognise the strains of the Death March. We heard women crying as the first coffin was borne shoulder-high up the cathedral steps. We had cathedral steps. We had stumbled upon the funeral of a group of young soldiers killed in an ambush the day before.

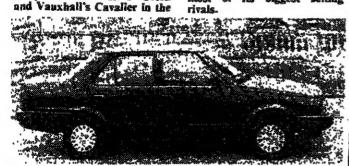
In the capital, it seemed the confusion was even worse. One of the three main candidates had found his name missing from the list. There was talk of declaring the whole process void. "That could never hap-pen." a veteran American correspondent remarked. "It would be too much of a blow to Reagan's prestige."

#### Fiat's cut-price Regata challenges rivals

Fiat yesterday added another conventional "three box", fourcar to its fast changing range with a replacement for the 131 Mirafiori family saloon. The Regata (below) which goes on sale in Britain immediately with engines from 1300cc to 1600cc, will be a direct competitor for Ford's Orion

door saloon sector which accounts for a third of the cars sold in Britain (Clifford Webb,

The six versions of the Regata are priced to undercut



#### Austin threat to buy car parts abroad

By Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent

Austin Rover, said yesterday "We have to tap into the that he will not jeopardize his same component volume base

Austin Rover is the biggest customer of the British component industry, spending £850m

Mr Musgrove told the Government that "unfair" car imports from Spain were reducing British car production and that meant that domestic components firms were becoming uncompetitive because they were supplying a dwindling to get your act together."

Mr Harold Musgrove, chair- market. The only real hope for man and chief executive of them was to sell overseas.

company's improved perform- as our international competiance by continuing to support tors. That base is moving out of uncompetitive British compo- this country. Unless something nent manufacturer when he can is done to reverse the trend we buy foreign components 15 per shall have to buy our parts cent cheaper. overseas at the right price."

He said it was "economic suicide" to allow Spanish cars to pay only 4 per cent import duty in Britain while our cars travelling in the opposite direction has to pay 36 per cent.

Mr Musgrove said: "British component firms cannot rely on Austin Royer for their survival.

# Duarte must face runoff poll

Not one official statistic of El Salvador's elections on Sunday had been released yesterday morning, but agree-ment appeared to be widespread that Senor José Napocon Duarte and Major Roberto d'Aubuisson would be

fighting for the presidency in a run-off election within 40 days. The first official result had been expected at 8pm on Sunday, two hours after voting ended. Given the chaos that reigned at the polling stations, it was explained the official results would begin to trickle in on Monday afternoon. Late on

From John Carlin, San Salvador Monday night journalists, cameras at the ready, duly appeared at the national counting centre in San Salvador, only to discover a sea of eeric inactivity. Ballots have been counted at

all the country's polling stations but the results have in many cases not arrived in San Salvador and in all cases have not been officially released. Nevertheless, everyone

behaving as if the results had been declared and the elections are officially over; Senor Duarte is victorious: Major d'Aubuisson is menacingly

crestfallen; provisional president Alvaro Magana calls the elections "a rejection of leftwing terrorism"; President Reagan, in Washington, exults at "another victory for freedom over tyranny".

No one, it appears, disputes the claims of Senor Duarte, a Christian Democrat, based on his understanding of counts at the polling stations, that he won a majority but not an outright victory, with Major d'Aubuisson, candidate of the Republican Nationalist Alliance Party, (Arena), taking second place.

#### Six sentenced to hang for Kuwait bombing

Kuwait (Reuter) - A court yesterday sentenced six people to death by public hanging for their part in a series of bombings in Kuwait in December which killed six people and

wounded more than 80. Seven of the 25 accused men. four of whom were tried in absentia, were sentenced to life imprisonment, four to 15 years. one to 10 years and two to five years. Three of those sentenced to death are still on the run. Five of the accused were acquitted.



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#### **Echoes of Andropov as** Gorbachov demands dynamism and discipline From Richard Owen, Moscow The Chernenko leadership which showed him leaning has vowed to continue Mr Yuri forward, supporting himself on Andropov's reformist economic, the desk in front. He spoke trade unions said the "brigade

programme despite Mr Chernenko's declared doubts and

conservative approach.
Sources said that a key role in keeping the Andropov reforms alive was being played by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, aged 52. who is thought to have challenged Mr Chernenko for the leadership last month but remains in charge of economic matters on the Politburo.

At a meeting in the Kremlin on agriculture reported on the front page of Prayda yesterday Mr Chernenko said the food programme adopted in 1982 was "only the beginning". He said new methods were needed, including a decisive improve-ment in agro-industrial complexes and management reorganization. "Frankly speaking there is very little time left . . . It is vital to find urgent and

thorough solutions". Mr Chernenko's remarks were broadcast on television.

Jordan deal

on arms

sours visit

by Herzog

By Henry Stanhope Diplomatic Correspondent

President Chaim Herzog of

Israel arrived in London yesterday with the avowed intent of

improving Anglo-Israeli re-lations, only to find his own

embassy seething over reports

Leaks on the £90m sale of

of an Anglo-Arab arms deal.

to the Heshemite kingdom.

to Israel, when he lunches with

her at Windsor Castle on

Monday, as was disclosed in a

Thatcher in Downing Street and will be a fellow guest with Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign

chaired by Lord Hailsham, the

Lord Chancellor. President Herzog, born in Belfast and son

of Ireland's Chief Rabbi, is a

with members of the Jewish

Community in London. But

details of his programme are not being released for security

The former chief of military intelligence in Israel and one-

time ambassador at the United

Nations now aged 65, said in

last week's interview that he

would like Britain to support

Israel more openly in inter-

**Diplomat** 

wounded

in Beirut

Form Our Correspondent Beirut

tinued to leave amid scattered fighting between Christian and

East Beirut and nearby

Police said 20 civilians were

families in the area.

Gunmen wounded a French diplomat in west Beirut yesterday, while French troops con-

national forums.

Other functions he will

member of Lincoln's Inn.

But he will also call on Mrs

Times interview last week.

Jewish community.

poorly and seemed short of system of payment by results breath, as on previous occasions would continue and even be since becoming party leader on expanded in both agriculture

past year - and some improve- according to productivity. ment in food supplies.

At a press conference yesterday officials from industry and ebruary 13.

The main speech, however, favoured by Mr Andropov, came from Mr Gorbachov, who teams or "brigades" of workers has overseen an upturn in on farms and in factories enter agricultural production includ- into a contract with the ing the grain harvest over the management and are paid

The team leader, known as a Mr Gorbachov put the "brigadier", distributes the increase in output at 5 per cent, profits to the team,

but said that planned targets for Observers noted that the grain, meat and milk had still Kremlin meeting was not not been met. In a deliberate attended by Mr Nikolai Tikhoecho of Andropov era termin- nov. the Prime Minister, who ology he called for dynamism, normally deals with economic initiative and discipline, and problems, or by two other said that officials should be Politburo members from key "politically mature, literate and agricultural regions, Mr Dincompetent organizers with a mukhamed Kunaev of feeling for the new" - a shaft Kazakhstan and Mr Vladimir evidently aimed at the hide-Sheherbitsky of the Ukraine, bound bureaucrass Mr Andro-Mr Viktor Grishin, the Moscow pov tried to purge but who feel city party boss, also stayed protected by Mr Chernenko, away. No explanations were who is 72.

# East-West thaw on Kornienko agenda

for high-level talks last night. Russians to return to the with the latest sharp exchange negotiating table during their between the two governments conversations today and tomorbetween the two governments still echoing in Whitehall.

ranking Russian to come here more significant. He was orig-on official business for eight inally due her last September, years, and his two-day visit is returning a visit made by Mr unlikely to be seen other than a Rifkind to Moscow in April. sign of improving relations.

anti-aircraft missiles to Jordan have been happily timed for His programme starts today at the Foreign Office where he will meet Mr Malcolm Rifkind. Britain, with the Queen halfway through her controversial visit the Minister of State and his official host followed by Lady But they could hardly have been less fortuitous for Mr Herzog, who is here for five Young who is his opposite number in Whitehall. He will also attend a seminar at the days as a guest of the Anglo-Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House) before This is the visit during which he intends to invite the Queen going to watch the Royal Ballet

at Covent Garden tonight. Tomorrow he will see Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, and Sir Julian Bul-lard, the Deputy Permanent Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, and will visit the Department of Trade and Industry, before returning to Moscow on Friday morning.

East-West relations and arms control, as well a bilateral trade, are at the top of the agenda. while it remains to be seen how far British ministers will broach the delicate subject of human attend include dinners with the

Mr Georgy Kornienko, the nuclear arms talks in Geneva Deputy Foreign Minister of the last November. Sir Geoffrey Soviet Union, arrived in Britain and his ministers will urge the But he remains the highest- Kornienko is coming at all is

> The invitation was with-drawn by Britain, however, after the South Korean airliner was shot down, and there has been speculation since over its renewal, Aged 59, Mr Korienko is a sophisticated career diplomat who speaks English fluently and has long specialized in the United States. He once accompanied President Brezhnev to the US and France.

Other subjects for discussion will probably include the July visit by Sir Geoffrey to Mos-cow, which was disclosed two weeks ago.

Mr Kornienko has arrived in the wake of attacks by Tass and Pravada on Mrs Thatcher, after her article in The Times in which she criticized the era of détente in the late 1970s as a period of "make-believe".

But the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary have also spoken recently of the need to thts. broaden the dialogue with Moscow and it is in this context themselves, especially since the that Mr Komienko's visit Soviet decision to suspend the should be seen.

# **Prince and communist** unite against gangsters

the Maiia) to the local prison society. Paliano is a charming hill town near Frosinone to the south of Rome, which is best owned by Prince Antonello
Ruffo di Calabria. Signor
Guiseppe Alveti, the Communist mayor, has injected the idea
of sending alleged Camorra
The idea that the record theft at the weekend of the equivalent of £15m was the common criminals.

The idea that terrorists are criminals to his town, all of

The little town of Paliano is by the prince who is profoundly digging in its heels against the shocked that Paliano should be decision to send 18 members of about to receive exemples of the Camorra (Naples version of "the deepest evil, this cancer of

The mayor's fear is that which already includes among The mayor's fear is that its inmates about 40 terrorists Paliano will attract killers intent on eliminating men whom the Camorro regards as traitors. Meanwhile, a telephone call, known as a tourist centre and ostensibly from a Red Brigade for its splendid natural park group insisted that the record

about to begin a spring offenwhom have broken the rules of sive would be dispiriting for the Neapolitan criminal organi- those who felt the battle against zation by giving evidence to terroristm had been virtually investigators. He is supported won.



Youthful convert: The Rev Jesse Jackson on the stump in Buffalo, New York, before next Tuesday's key primary,

# Bonn's arms policy worries Jews

Mr Edgar Bronfman, President of the Jewish World Congress, declared publicly before meeting Chancellor Helmut Kohl that Jews were "deeply concerned" by the possibility of West German arms exports to Saudi Arabia.

the "green line" between cast

and west Beirut.

on Monday with Herr Hansconcentration camp,

strengthen links between Ger- Welt, a paper strongly critical of mans and Jews. As well as arms exports to Saudi Arabia, meeting Dr Kohl, he had talks that he knew from his meeting that he knew from his meeting with Dr Kohl in Washington Jochen Vogel, the parliamentary leader of the Social many intended to increase Democrats. Yesterday he Saudi stability by supplying visited the site of Dachau defence armaments. But he said this would reduce rather than increase stability in the Middle



#### Barricade believed escape-proof

#### E Germans build electric fence

From Michael Binyon, Bonn

As East German border guards continued to dismantle automatic firing devices along the frontier with the West, the West German press carried details yesterday of a new border fence being erected behind the old one which experts here say is virtually impossible to scale.

The 10ft high electrically charged barricade is set back some 500 yards from the main fence and consists of netal railings with razor-sharp edges designed to cut the hands of

anyone attempting to climb it.

On the inward-facing side about 25 afarm wires are stretched along the length of the fence, with a further eight on the inward-sloping top section. If anyone touches more than one wire he courses than one wire he causes a short-circuit setting off alarms in the watchtowers and observation buts.

the new fence about a year ago. several months before the dismantling of the scatter guns. It now extends about 28 miles along the border, most of it in the northern sector.

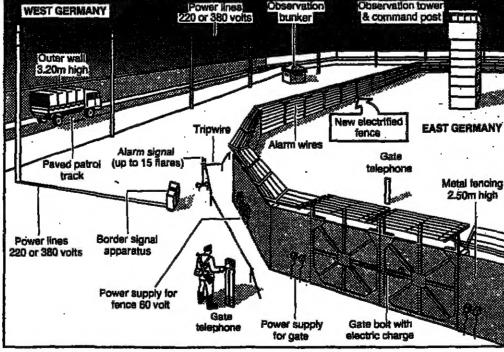
Details of construction were given in this week's issue of Der Spiegel, which said that on February 13 one of the electricians working on the outer side of the new installation leaped across the old fence into West Germany and has since provided Bonn with a

The "border signal fence", as it is known, rests on concrete slabs that extend some 4ft into the ground to prevent tunnelling. Raked earth extending 20ft from the fence gives visual warning of anyone coming near. Sheets of steel, said to be imported from West. Germany are bolted to the fence posts.

every 500 yards or so, and if anyone succeeds in climbing the fence be is then confronted with delicate trip wires on the other side which signal to the watchtowers exactly where he

The new fence is not lethal, as the electric current through the alarm wires is only 60 volts. But it is so secure that the East German authorities can confidently continue removing the 50,000 automatic firing devices, the 120 miles of minefields, and other deadly devices which give the world a very negative image of East Germany every time someone is shot or maimed on

Guards have had less occasion to open fire in recent months, and Bonn is hoping that the official order to shoot escapers will soon be lifted. This would remove one of the main points of friction in



So near yet so far: Latest refinement in border control is a fence to detect escapers.

# Civil trial for Bignone likely

under the jurisdiction of military courts, and has ordered that an action against Argentina's last military president be taken up by a civilian court.

The ruling lawyers said was likely to affect the prosecution of military officers accused in the disappearances of thousands of people under the military junta that ruled Argentina until late last year.

The decision involves former President Reynaldo Bignone, who was arrested on Januarry 10 in connextion with the disappearance of two armed conscripts, members of the Communist Youth Federation. Both disappeared in 1976 after they were arrested in the grounds of the National Military College while General Bignone was director.

The Criminal Court of Appeals in Buenos Aires has ruled that charges concerning the disappearances are offences military court.

The case has caused a stir it is solved. That is it remains a among members of the government and human rights groups victim is found, a lawyer said. ment and human rights groups who have been at odds over the issue of who sits in judgment over the people who ordered abductions, torture and killings.

Buenos Aires (NYT) - An "This is very important," Argentine officers appeared to Argentine judge has challenged a new law under which the trials of army officers would come come under the insight form. Court, "Unless it is overruled change the change of the court o by the Supreme Court, it means For the past week, hundreds that many cases of disappeared of lawyers and human rights persons will be judged by civilians."

Present Raul Alfonsin's evidence. The National ComGovernment has ordered the prosecution of commanders prosecution of commanders appointed by President who issued orders in the Alfonsin, had recorded a total of disappearances and of lowerranking men who committed according to a spokesman. "Of excesses on their own initiative, these, 950 are names we had The Government has also never heard before", the spokesenacted a law reinforcing the man said, remarking on the conduct their own investi-gations. This was the subject of afraid before.

Human rights workers and lawvers have said they fear the military will be whitewashed in its own courts, even though military verdicts are subject to civilian review.

Argentine military code, common crimes committed by outside the jurisdiction of the military officers before Sepmilitary code of justice. The tember 1983 come under court refused a request to have military jurisdiction. But under President Bignone tried in a Argentine constitutional law. Argentine constitutional law, abduction remains a crime until

> To former prisoners and to the relatives and friends of the tortured, dead and missing, the debate over the trials of the

workers have been registering 8,426 disappeared persons. recent increase in reports of old cases. Many people are coming forward now because they were The Supreme Council of the

armed forces had received about 250 cases, which was fewer than expected, said Señor Horacio Jaunarena Deputy Minister of Defence. He believed the number was low because thousands of Argentine exiles are still abroad and many people prefer not to take their complaints to the military.

• Holiday off: Argentina has dropped a national holiday celebrating the invasion of the Falkland Islands. The decree ordering the change said the holiday, put on the calendar by the previous military government, commemorates "an event whose celebration is incongruous with the sentiments it

# different kind of opposition

From Resit Gurdiler

While Mr Turgut Ozal's resounding success in Sunday's local polls consolidated his power, the outcome of the contest has already started to eat away at the country's new political structure so meticulously crafted by the former military regime.

The electorate made its support clear for the Prime Minister with 44 per cent of the total votes, securing for the ruling Motherland Party control of the municipalities in 54 of the country's 67 provincial

With the same clarity it rejected the two opposition parties allowed into the Parlia-ment last November, in effect turning their functions over to the social democratic Sodep and the conservative Right Way Party, which were both ex-cluded from the general elec-

While Sodep emerged from the local polls as the second biggest party with 22 per cent of the votes and the Right Way Party followed with 44 per cent, the Populist Party, which has 117 seats in the 400-strong parliament, saw its more than 30 per cent support in general elections dwindle to a meagre 8 per cent in Sunday's contest. Meanwhile the centre-right

Nationalist Democracy Party, the big loser of last November. continued its downhill roll with 6.4 percent. It has 67 deputies in the Parliament, whose continued its downhill roll with 6.4 per cent. It has 67 deputies in the Parliament, whose continued allegiance to the party leadership had become dubious even before Sunday.

immediately after the results were known, the leaders of both extra-parliamentary opposition parties, disappointed though there were over the slipped chance of forcing an early general election, pressed home their claim to be the true

opposition".
While the press commentaries conceded the anomaly of leaving the two which together account for nearly 40 per cent of the votes outside the sphere of "official politics" Mr Ozal made clear that it would be so.

Emerging from a meeting with President Kenan Evren a day after the poll, the Prime Minister belittled the support given by the electorate to the two extra-parliamentary rivals. arguing that they could be regarded as "local opposition at best as it was a local poll in

which they had contended". The troubles started to plague the Populist Party yesterday. Its leader, Mr Calp, had pledged to resign if the party was defeated by Sodep in the local polls.

When, however, he allowed party executive to remain at his post despite the Populists humiliation before the Sodep. Mr Nivazi Aras, the deputy chairman, handed his resignation in protest, which was accepted.

But when the deputy secretary-general also tended his resignation, it was refused by the apparently panic-stricken party leadership, while the rumours were rife here of further defections from the

#### Turks pick | Papandreou loses his Finance **Minister**

Athens - The Greek Government lost its third Finance Minister since coming to power 30 months ago. in what appears to be a dramatic clash over its economic policies (Mario Modiano writes).

A sudden statement by Mr Andreas Papendreou, the Prime Minister. that Mr Yiannis Pottakis and one of his undersecretaries had resigned gave no reason.

Mr Pottakis is known to have had serious policy differences with Mr Gerasimos Arsenis, the Minister of National Economy, often described as the country's economic czar, and who now takes over the Finance portfolio

#### Romania sacks two ministers

Bucharest (AP) - Romania's Ministers of Agriculture and Electric Power have been replaced. Scinteia, the party newspaper reported, because their two ministries failed to meet quotas last year.

On the orders of President Ceausescu, Mr ion Tesu is succeeded by Gheorge David and Mr Trandafir Cocarla by Nicolae Busui.

#### General shot

Lyons (AP) - General Guy Delfosse, regional commander of the gendarmerie in central France, was shot dead while trying to negotiate with two bandits who entered a bank while he was there on business. The raiders fled without money but took the surveillance

#### Dam money

Canberra (Reuter) - Australia's federal government has offered the state of Tasmania a package worth \$A230m (£225m) to compensate for the halting of the hydro-electric dam porject in one of the world's most beautiful wilder-nesses. The package includes power subsidy over 10 years.

#### Pirates held

Bangkok (Reuter) - Four fisherman have been charged in Songkhia with piracy, rape and abduction in an attack on a boatload of Vietnamese effugees off the Thai coast last line. It was the first arrest of sigh pirates since December 1981

#### Clean-up defied

Zurich (AP). - The director of Switzerland's largest circulation newspaper Blick, fined 3,000 Swiss francs (£1,000) by Zurich for publishing massage will continue to run them until a court rules on the fine's

#### Berlin scare

of live ammunition.

Berlin (AP) - Up to 1,000 residents may have to be evacuated from more than 100 houses in the Rudow district of West Berlin which are built over a Second World War antitank ditch now found to be full

#### Sékou Touré dies on the operating table

Cleveland, Ohio (Reuter) –
President Ahmed Sekou Touré
of Guinea has died during heart
surgery in a United States
hospital after being rushed from
Weet Africa in a specially West Africa in a specially equipped aircraft provided by King Fahd of Saudi Arabia. He was 62 and the longest-ruling

modern African leader.

He died at the Cleveland
Clinic Foundation Hospital on hour attempt to save his life on the operating table, a hospital spokesman said yesterday.

He said President Sekou

Touré arrived carlier the same day after a 10-hour flight in a flying cardiac intensive care number two man in the regime the latest monitoring and life since 1972. He is acting head of support technology. The decision to transfer him to the constitution a national unit - an aircraft equipped with cision to transfer him to the constitution a national Cleveland was taken by four plebiscite must be held within physicians who flew to Conakry, the Guinean capital, on

Both the visit by the Cleve-land physicians and the loan of the aircraft by King Fahd followed requests by King Hassan of Morocco who earlier sent three of his own doctors.

O DAKAR: President Touré's death has stunned West Africa (Susan MacDonald writes). Over the past few years he

had emerged from isolation to become one of the foremost leaders in the region. The shock was summed up by President Abdou Diouf of Senegal when he spoke of his profound emotion and great sadness. Mr Lansana Beavogui is the

and has been Prime Minister 45 days to elect a new President. Leading article, page 15 Obitmary, page 16

#### Clampdown | Prince says keeps Chile quiet

Santiago (Reuter). - Tight security by Chile's military government apparently succeeded in keeping Santiago calm yesterday at the start of a day of protest to press for a quick return to democracy.

An overnight curfew - the first this year - ended with traffic returning to the streets of the capital despite residents' reports of four overnight bomb blasts

The Government said in imposed the new security measures to protect people after a wave of bomb attacks in recent weeks. It also cited the military rule.

# he wants a daughter

Gaborone (Reuter) - The Prince of Wales, on the final leg of his four-nation African tour. yesterday inspected a dam project outside Gaborone

The Prince, on the first full day of a 10-day visit to Botswana first inspected work on the main wall at Gaborone dam, the reservoir for the southern region of this drought-

stricken country.

Then he spent more than an hour at the secondary school. the largest in Botswana with

1,200 pupils. He was asked by children about Prince William. To gales of laughter, he said the young violence of last year's day of of laughter, he said me yours protest, which displayed the prince was very mischievous most widespread expression of discontent in a decade of military rule.

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He said he would make this repoern the main topic of talks during a visit intended to

Mr Bronfman. told Die

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jurisdiction of military courts to permit the armed forces to the Appeal Court's ruling.

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## Luanda placates Pretoria and confirms Lusaka peace accord From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Angola still stands by last month's Lusaka peace accord. and says it will continue to take part in the joint Luanda-Pretoria monitoring commission which is supervising the withdrawal of South African troops from southern Angola.

This was made clear yester-day by Mr Roelof "Pik" Botha. the Foreign Minister, when he disclosed that he had received "certain explanations" from Luanda in response to his demand for an urgent clarification of last week's joint statement by President Dos saying that their expression of Santos of Angola and President Castro of Cuba.

South Africa took strong exception to some of the language in the statement which, it said at the time, raised doubts about Angola's continuing commitment to the Lusaka accord. Now. Mr Botha says. Cuban-Angola statement Angola has confirmed that it "recognizes the Lusaka agree-ment and accepts its validity".

What particularly rankles in This, in fact, is true. Pretoria Pretoria was a reference in the has not yet responded in any

sentenced

to death

From Charles Harrison Nairobi

of the attempted coup which

was launched here on August 1.

1982, Air Force Sergeant Pan-

cras Okumu. was yesterday sentenced to death by a court-

He had pleaded not guilty to

treason and in a statement

claimed that he had joint the

revolt after learning that the Kenyan minister for consti-tutional affairs. Mr Charles Njonjo, was involved in an-

other coup plot timed to take

Earlier, Okumu had com-plained that he had been

promised his freedom if he

agreed to implicate Mr Njonjo

in the coup plot. He said this

offer was made to him by Kenyan representatives after he

had been granted political asylum in Tanzania.

Ochuka, who was sentenced to death last week, were said to be

ringleaders of the attempted

coup which was put down within a few hours by loyal troops. Both then fled to

Tanzania by hijacking a mili-

tary plane.

Okumu and private Hezekian

place a few days later.

The second alleged ringleader

South Africa is satisfied that African National Congress parallel withdrawal of Cubans Angola still stands by last ((ANC) in South Africa. from Angola and South African

The statement also spoke of of the Namibian and South African peoples. Mr Botha pointed out, with some justice. that this was a little hard soldiers in clashes with Swapo.

The Angolans, meanwhile, have issued a statement through their national news agency, support for the two black nationalist organizations was merely a confirmation of "positions of principle" and had no bearing on the validity of the Lusaka accord.

Luanda has also accused South Africa of ignoring the 'most important part" of the namely, the offer to withdraw Cuban troops gradually from Angola on certain conditions,

This, in fact, is true. Pretoria Angola-Cuban statement to detailed way to the Angola offer solidarity with the "heroic which, despite the rhetorical struggle" of Swapo guerrillas in wrapping paper, seems not to Namibia and the banned rule out the possibility of a troops from Namibia.

Unless there is movement on Swapo and the ANC as the the Cubans, the South Africans legitimate representaimplement United Nations Security Council Resolution 435, which provides for a ceasefire in Namibia between to accept when Angolan troops simultanously had been involved alongside South African to a constituent assembly and independence.

> • LISBON: Unita rebels yesterday said they had captured a coastal town 190 miles south of Luanda and gave warning of intensified fighting unless the Government agreed to direct peace talks (Reuter reports).

> A Unita communiqué, issued in Lisbon, said 5,000 guerrillas stormed Sumbe, the capital of Cuanza-Sul Province, during a six-hour battle on Sunday. More than 500 government troops. 62 Cubans, seven Russians. 12 Bulgarians and five Italian technicians were killed, with 65 Angolans, four Bulgarians and 10 Portuguese captured, the rebels claimes. Unita losses were given as 42 dead, 103 wounded and seven

# Coup leader Nakasone trip helps to ease tensions From Richard Hanson, Tokyo

By the standads of China's liplomatic game, Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, Japan's Prime Minister, appears to have scored valuable points both for neighbouring South Korea and for the principle of "murual trust" between Japan and China during his first official visit to Peking which ended this week.

The longer-term diplomatic results could be a subtle easing of tension in the region, especially in relations with the troubled Korean peninsula. For the time being, the trip made clear that Japan's relations with China have never been better.

Chinese leaders proved much more amenable than expected to a request conveyed by Mr Nakasone from South Korca. which has no official ties to China, to allow Koreans in China to visit and be visited by relatives in the south.

The Chinese went so far as to say that Koreans living in China some 1.7 million of both northern and southern origins should be able to meet relatives on visits not only in China and South Korea but even Tokyo. Seoul's news agency responded immediately by reporting that ten Koreans have already

signed up with the International Red Cross to go.

It is still anyone's guess as to whether this turn of events will have any future impact, however subtle. on humanitarian exchanges between the two Koreas. There was no sign of specific progress toward starting up of a dialogue between North and South Korea, but both countries agreed that war must be prevented from breaking out on the peninsula.

China further indicated that it would help communications between Japan and North Korea, which lack diplomatic ties. Japan does not intend to use China as a conduit on specific political or economic issues, but rather as a means of conveying precise intentions.

Japan's attitude to the North has been put under further strain by last year's Rangoon bombing, which killed several South Korean officials, and which North Korea is accused of perpetrating.

Mr Nakasone went to China bearing gifts, notably a promise of long-term economic aid which could total 470,000 yen over the next seven years and 50m ven for the relief of starving pandas.



Royalty and a royal breed: The Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh and King Husain's sister. Princess Alia, admiring an Arab stallion in Amman.

# UN report is first proof of breach in chemical war ban

From Zoriana Pysariwsky, New York

A United Nations report presented by an international team of military and medical experts on the use of mustard gas and nerve gas against Iranian targets in the gulf war, marks the first formal substantiation of allegations that chemical weapons have beem employed since the Geneva Protocal of 1925 went into

Although there have been charges that similar weapons were used in Yemen in the 1960s and American allegations that the Soviet Union and Vietnam had resorted to mycotoxins know as "yellow rain", in Afghanistan and Indochina, the charges were never unreservedly confirmed.

Both the use of mustard and nerve gas are outlawed by the protocal which includes Iran and Iraq as its signatories.

The conclusion of the UN team, composed of four specialists from Australia. Spain, Switzerland and Sweden who each gathered and examined evidence pertaining to their fields of expertise, were unani-

They ruled that the military and clinical evidence confirmed that chemical weapons in the form of aerial bombs have been used in the areas of Iran the team inspected.

Their methods included intervies with Iranian Government officials, visits to the war zone, and clinical examinations of patients evacuated from the front. The specialists spent six days in Iran, but were refused entry to Iraq. Their findings, ishued with-

out qualification, failed to name spesifically the user of the weapons without the benefit of having actually witnessed an aerial attack. Their most dramatic piece of evidence was an unexploded bomb found in the war zone which contained a dark brown, oily liquid shown Why treaty fails

After negotiations in Geneva a convention banning the production, stockpiling and use of biological weapons was signed in 1972. But "germ" weapons have always been of doubtful effectiveness. Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Corre-

spondent, writes. The use of chemical mani-tons was prohibited by the Geneva Protocol of 1925, but not their production or stockpiling. Some signatories have continued to make them.

The present Geneva talks held by the Conference on Disarmament, have the objective of stopping production altogether, but veryfying compliance remain an obstacle

samples of liquid and soil were found to contain a nerve gas

called tabun.
All three 300lb bombs examined had greenish casings marked "BR 250 WP" and timing fuses with instructions in spanish. Of the 47 patients and 12 bodies, 38 cases were found to be part of a clinical pattern consistent with exposure to chemical weapons.

The specialists also reported that the area of the war zone surveyed appeared to be of a type that would normally be selected as a target for conven-tional attack. Bombs containing chemicals might be used in an attempt to clear the area, so that after a safe period it could be occupied by an attacking force.

Both the report and Iran's

announcement that it would use chemical weapons as well as fuelled fears that the Gulf war has reached the stage where no moral prescriptions will prevent the use of any weapon necessary to attain a final victory.

But it was unlikely that the Security Council, where a majority tilt towards Iraq. to contain mustard gas. Other would issue a condemnation.

#### Scholar's startling new theory

# Did English start in India?

A South Indian student of A South Indian student of indian student of language has come up with a novel theory about the origins of English. According to squadron leader P Shivaprasad Rai, English sprang from a language spoken by over a million people living in the south-west of India in a region known as Dakshina Kannada.

The language is Ruly, which is represented by the seventh or eighth century like wandered through Asia and Europe thill they ended up invading Britain as the Angles, bringing their unique language with them.

He draws his conclusions from a close comparison of the syntax, unorphology and phonometric properties of the two languages. In a present delivered last week to

The language is Rulu, which long ago was widely spoken all over the Indian sub-continent before the Aryan invasions of the second millennium before Christ. According to the squadron leader, the Tuluas

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netics of the two languages. In a paper delivered last week to the first international conference on literature in translation held in Delhi he drew attention, for instance, to the English work 'like', which may be used as an adjective, an adverb, a

has its equivalent in Tulu leka which has similar flexible uses. He also points out that among all the Indo-European languages only two, English and Tulu, use 'W' in the same

tongue-in-the-cheek comment from the Calcutta English language newspaper The Statesman says that while the theory is not likely to be taken too seriously in academic circles it adds a new dimension to the debate going on in Britain about linguistic permissiveness, by suggesting an exotic authority for arbitration.

#### Fatal blast intensifies NZ industrial tension

A fatal blast in the trades half decree last week of \$NZ8 (£4) a in Wellington yesterday height-ened an already tense industrial allowed in more than 19 situation. One unidentified man months. was killed and another injured.

It is thought the explosion was caused by a bomb left in a suitcase in the foyer of the building, which accomodates the head offices of a number of national unions, though the police have not yet confirmed

this.

The interior of the building was extensively damaged. No arrests have been made.

The union movement is involved in formulating its

Sir Robert Muldoon, the

Prime Minister, says that is all the country can afford if the anti-inflationary gains achieved by the 18-month wages and prices freeze are not to be frittered away.

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## Mullahs at prayer killed by Afghan mosque bomb From Our Own Correspondent, Delhi

of Mr Babrak Karmal is trying to make a propaganda coup out of the bombing of a mosque by inujuhidin guernillas in Kabul. The soviet-built mosque was blasted at 6.20 pm on March 21 when a number of people were at prayer in the building. According to the Afghan Government four mullahs were

killled and seven injured. Western diplomats in Delhi yesterday said, however, that nine bodies were counted being taken out of the smoking ruins and that at least 11 people were seriously injured.

A statement put out by the government media said the acident was evidence of "the bestial and anit-Islamic nature of counter-revolutionary soldout indidel thugs." The Western view is that the Asian republics.

The Soviet-supported regime incident show that a major attack can be mounted in daylight in a sensitive area of the Afghan capital. The mosque is close to the Polytechnic Institute buildings in the northwest of the city. March 21 was the Afghan New Year festival of Nauroz, and security had been stepped up.

The attack appears to have been a response to the inter-national conference of Islamic scholars and clergy held by the regime during the previous week to boost its Islamic creditials. Although the del-egates were invited from every Islamic country in the world, the only foreign representatives came from India. The People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, and the Soviet Central

#### played down by Moscow From Our Own Correspondent, Moscow The fourth round of Sino- minister and his soviet counter-

Sino-Soviet deadlock

Soviet "consultations" ended in part Mr Leonid Ilychov had Moscow yesterday, but against expectations Soviet comment was low key and gave no hint of

Observers had expected

Moscow to give some indi-cation of the state of Sino-Soviet relations in view of President Reagan's planned visit to Peking next month. "The Russians won't want the Americans to have it all their own way in Peking", one diplomat said, noting that the Kremlin is suspicious of the Chinese-American relationship and sharply criticised the visit to China last weekend by the Japanese Prime Minister, Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone.

continued the exchange of views on the normalization of Soviet-Chinese relations. The talks had taken place in a frank and calm atmosphere and would resume in October in

Peking. Diplomatic sources said there had been no progress in the five meetings held since Mr Qian arrived in Moscow on March 12. There was still deadlock on the three main issues: Soviet backing for Vietnamese domi-nation of Kampuchea; the presence of Soviet troops on the Chinese border and the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan.

Moscow however noted yesterday that the Vietnamese A statement issued by Tass press had described tensions yesterday said Mr Qian Qichen, between Vietnam and China as the Chinese deputy foreign abnormal,

Witness who was admired and hated

# Controversial honour for Hiss case man

From Nicholas Ashford Washington

Few figures in post-war America have aroused such conflicting passions as Whit-taker Chambers, the traitorturned-patriot who was posthumously awarded the US Medal of Freedom by President Reagan on Monday. To liberals and those on the

left of the political spectrum the man who inculpated Alger

Hiss - and indirectly helped launch the political rise of Richard Nixon - is still regarded with a mixture of loathing and contempt. Right-wingers, on the other hand, consider him a modern American hero, a man who

halted the spread of communist ideology in American intellectual society and who restored the nation's faith in God and freedom. That President Reagan should have decided to present America's highest civilian honour to such a controversial

figure says much about his own

personality and the nature of his Administration. President Reagan read exculpatory Chambers's memoir Witness three decades ago, at a time when he was beginning his own political



ute from President Reagan. Republican.

According to the White Honse, the President still admires Chambers for "seeing the light in coming from communism to freedom" - so much so, in fact, that he has been invoking Chambers's name and example in recent

Indeed Chambers's influence is detectable in much that Mr Reagan says or does, whether it is describing the Soviet Union

as. "an evil empire" or supporting (unsuccessfully as it turned out) a constitutional amendment authorizing organized prayer in public schools.

Chambers joined the Com-monist Party in 1925, quickly rose through the ranks and eventually ended up in the Soviet Union where he underwent training as a spy. He returned to the US and set up a group in Washington which pilfered government secrets and passed them on to Moscow.

However by 1937 he had become disillusioned by Stafin's repressive leadership and, fearing assassination, lived for a year in hiding. He was later taken on by *Time* magazine where as Foreign Editor he became known for his virulent anti-communist views.

It was not until almost a decade later that he became a national celebrity after being subpoensed to appear before the House un-American activities committee. Chambers caused a sensation by telling the committee that among his accomplices in his spy cell was Alger Hiss, a former high-flyer in the State Department who had participated in the Yalta summit conference

The prolonged battle between Chambers and Hiss which ensued turned into a classic

confrontation of style and ideology. Mr Hiss was tall-elegant, well-spoken, well connected and a firm advocate of the New Deal policies which were being threatened by the anti-communist fervour then prevailing in Congress. Mr. Chambers was a short, pudgr-rumpled figure who expounded his anti-communist views with almost messianic zeal.

Mr Hiss denied before the House committee that he had had any relationship with Chambers. He was charged with perjury and was found guilty after two trials and Chambers presentation of the so-called "Pumpkin papers" (five rolls of film he had hidden in a pumpkin. He went to prison from which he emerged in 1954 still protesting his

William Rusher, publisher of the National Review, said the award of the Medal of Freedom to Chambers was highly appro-

However Victor Havasky, editor of the left-leaning The Nation commented that it was disturbing that such an important award should bave been given to a man who "lied on any number of occasions and had a paranoid view of the world. He could not distinguish

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gamble can pay off.

as David Pirie explains

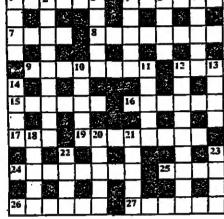
"The psychology of the major movie studios." a leading Hollywood agent said, "is based on fear. The fear of making a film and flopping, or not making a film and seeing it become a Hit for someone else."

Last year was another boom year for Hollywood films, but the risks in motion picture production are, if anything, more dramatic than ever.

The 10 most successful films of 1983; as reported in Variety magazine, generated more than half a billion dollars. These are the crucial titles of the year to Hollywood, not just because the American film audience is nearly twice as big in cash terms as the rest of the world put together, but also because the United States is the place where international audience trends are born. All of the hits listed were successful in Britain and elsewhere (with the exception of Mr Mom, not yet released here).

But there is a negative side to this equation: the 10 flops listed did not even take enough money between them to cover the cost of financing one major production. Their combined losses may have exceeded \$100m. And

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some of the studios who made them, like Disney, did not produce a big enough success to balance the books.

Every studio head in Hollywood is only a few flops away from dismissal. and sudden departures are already the norm. There was a time when the longest-serving top executive had been in his post all of two weeks. There is increasing pressure to predict the taste of the highly volatile audience.

Variety's lists provide a very rough guide to the state of that taste in 1983. They are therefore a starting-point for any movie mogul who knows that it is never enough just to crank out a duplicate of the latest sensation. For one thing, decisions made now are unlikely to be tested until 1985; for another, the road to past box-office oblivion is paved with good imitations.

The least surprising success of 1983 was George Lucas's conclusion of the Star Wars trilogy, Return of the Jedi. Its income does not quite equal 1982's ET bonanza, but it has done as well as both its hugely successful predecessors. And its success confirms Lucas's achievment in rescuing a whole genre. Before 1977, there was not a single science fiction film among the big hits of all time - now it dominates the list.

But science fiction is not the dominant trend of 1983 - nor even the 80s. Analysing the top 10 films for each year since 1980, the most profitable genre has been comedy.

On the 1983 list there is Toolsic. Trading Places. Mr Mom and 48 Hours, which is as much comedy as thriller. The basic formula is the same: put Dan Aykroyd in hippie gear inside a swank Manhattan club in Trading Places; put black actor Eddie Murphy in cop uniform inside a redneck bar in 48 Hours: put Michael Keaton in an apron in front of an ironing-board in Mr Mont; put Dustin Hoffman in drag in Tootsie - 1980s' comedies seem to be overwhelmingly concerned with social and sexual role-switching.

It is tempting also to trace the equally recurrent theme of upward social mobility to the economic climate. Trading Places. for example, in which a wealthy tycoon changes places with a black down-and-out, is inspired by the comic social fables that were popular during the depression of the 1930s. But out-and-out lunacy is a vital added ingredient of these films, as if their audience refuses to take either sex, or the 1980s depression, too

The happy ending, which went out of fashion in the 1960s, now seems essential. This caused a problem for the makers of War Games, which is based on the idea of a teenage computer freak who gains access to a computer controlling the United States' nuclear detences. Its original script ended with nuclear Armageddon. But its backers, MGM/UA, thought such an ending unacceptable.

The director was fired and the script was rewritten so that the teenager convinces the generals that their nuclear strategy is dangerous. The US Air Force was still outraged, complaining that the film "distorted infor-mation". But, for all its brainless generals, it contrived to be optimistic about humanity. Its backers were duly réwarded.

Even Superman III developed the comic potential of the series, adding



Figures represent the 1983 rental returned by the cinemas to the studio who made the film

Richard Pryor to the caped superhero going to seed. Given the present Out, which forced its distributor into liquidation, into a money-maker again. Staving Alive is less a sequel to climate, this might have seemed a very Saturday Night Fever than a musical shrewd commercial move. But director Rocky, using every technique to milk audience identification with the Richard Donner had made the first two Superman movies successful by struggle of the central character. The taking the character seriously. Superman III's carnings appear to prove Donner right, because the film earned critics hated it, but like so much of Stallone's work, Staying Alive is one of critics get between it and its audience.

The notion of social improvement, apparent in last year's An Officer And A Gentleman, makes its most serious appearance in 1983 in the list's only two musicals. Jennifer Beals in Flashdance is, of all things, a Pittsburgh steelworker who's striving to win a place at the local bailet school. This may sound possible, until you

far less than its predecessors.

realized that membership of the Pittsburgh steel union has become so restricted that it would be quite extraordinary for someone with only a passing interest to get there in the first place. But then, Flashdance is essentially a glossy musical fantasy, greatly helped by the success of its songs

Staying Alive succeeded not because of its mediocre Bee Gees soundtrack, nor because it starred John Travolta. If that sounds unrealistic, remember that Travolta came to Staying Alive after three box-office flops. Sylvester Stallone, Staying Alive's director, responded by making Travolta's comeback the covert subject of the whole movie, then pacing it with the furious energy that made Stallone's Rocky pictures so successful.

Stallone transformed Travolta, the former idol of Saturday Night Fever who had slumped to the star of Blow

those films which refuses to let the

#### There may be a swing in Hollywood's political mood

Perhaps, taken as a whole, 1983's top 10 is almost more interesting for what is not on it: no horror films; no Broadway musicals; no literary adaptations; not even many-other than the refermial Bong-action/agyenius thrillers. Yet all these categories are represented on the list of flops: David Cronenberg's horror Videodrome, Sam Peckinpah's spy thriller The Osterman Weekend, the adaptation of the Broadway hit Pirates of Pensance and Disney's high-budget translation of Ray Bradbury's novel Something Wicked This Way Comes. These films have flaws, but the genres they represent are currently out of favour.

Nor was 1983 a good year for acclaimed directors. Apart from Peckinpah's unhappy comeback. Martin Scorsese (King of Comedy), Francis

Coppola (Rumble Fish) and Jack Clayton (Something Wicked) all backed major flops. Britain's biggest success was Gandhi, reaching eighteenth position in terms of earnings, though it still falls behind Chariots of Fire, which remains Britain's most successful film in the US.

Known production costs in brackets. Promotion can cost between \$8m-\$20m for each film

This year the major studios will release around 100 features and almost half will be comedies. But already there are signs of a shift with the American success of a "docudrama", Silkwood (Meryl Streep as a real-life radiation victim), and of a tear-jerker, Terms of Endearment (Debra Winger dies of a fatal illness).

There may also be a swing in Hollywood's political mood. US.cinema has so far resisted the right-wing political climate emanating from Washington. In 1983 we had movies critical of nuclear war strategy (War Games), the US legal system (The Verdici), US foreign policy on central America (Under Fire) and the US military (Blue Th image projected by Hollywood remains a broadly liberal one.

But all that could change this year. One of the most striking titles on the list of forthcoming releases is Red Dawn! It concerns a Russian airborne invasion of a small US town, and the determined armed resistance of its inhabitants. This eccentric project is not the work of some small company. but is being released by MGM/UA and has been masterminded by Hollywood's arch right-winger, John Milius, best known for his work on the Apocalypse Now script.

#### moreover... Miles Kington

# Every one a winner

This is the time of the year when the media like to give themselves awards for being so good, and we at Moreover Publi-cations are proud to announce the results of the Moreover Press Awards for 1984.

he presentation ceremony itself will be held next week at the Sir Richard. Attenborough Conference Centre, the Pork Scratchings Service Area, on the M1. A glittering selection of celebrities who would like to be seen more on TV will be there, and the proceedings will go out live that night on all channels unless Torvill and Dean are on.

We are especially pleased that all the awards, after much careful consideration, have again been given to members of the Moreover staff. They are as follows:

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Sports Journalist of the Year, Frank Nobbs, for his campaign to expose the truth about rugby football. Sheltering behind a facade of being the last sport free from money and drug problems, international rugby has become the most shatteringly boring of all major games, yet only Frank has dared say so. How can a game in which Dusty Hare is a star be fulfilling its potential?" he asks. "How much longer can reporters go on saying:
"Although totally lacking to quality, this
was a truly exciting game"? When will the laws be changed so that TV commentators will actually know why the whistle has gone? Why on earth ... "OK, OK, Frank. That's enough. He receives a season ticket for Bath's terminal to the receives a

season ticket for Bath's home games.
Fashion Writer of the Year, Sukie Noobs, for having the most colourful prose despite being the worst dressed person in the office. She receives a £500 gift voucher for any British Rail Lost Property office.

Financial Journalist of the Year. Charlie Nobbs, for having got us all shares in Reuter's. Thanks, Charlie. He has asked us not to mention his prize, but to send it straight to an address in Jersey.

Woman Journalist of the Year. James Nobbs, for being the only person braye enough in the office to volunteer to review Germaine Greer's book. He, is allowed to keep it.

Promising Young Journalist of the Year. Ian Nobbs. for having provided most of the best jokes in this column over the past year and for not minding working late into the night. He receives a living wage next year. Restaurant Writer of the Year. To our very

own Tarquin Nobbs, who always refers extensively to "my companion", yet has always eaten alone and then put in expenses for two people. Nice one, 'Tarquin! You're fired. ritic of the Year. Ludmilla Nobski, the

only Russian critic to defect to the West. Her reports have been dazzling, mercurial, death defying. As soon as she learns to write in English, she will be a valued member of the Moreover staff. She receives a dictionary.

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olumn of the Year. As usual, this has been the hardest award to decide, as, it involves a prize of £2,000. As usual, the judges deliberated hard and long. As usual, they decided not to award the prize this year but to blue the money themselves, in the finest tradition of Moreover journalism.



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#### WEDNESDAY PAGE

Caroline Moorehead talks to Mary Wesley, novelist and recluse

# A secretive 70-year-old shocker

To produce a justly admired, big-selling first novel at 70 is a feat greatly to be envied, particularly when it is inspired by need and surrounded by extreme modesty. Mary Wesley, whose second novel, The Camomile Lawn, appears tomorrow, is as unsure and tentative about her new work as she is about all things; but by now the writing has become life, that dimension always lacking from her existence and now so pleasurable. "What is lovely", she says, "is that I'm too old to have love affairs and I really enjoy working I simply missed out on 50 years of it.'

The long period before productivity was not quite as empty as she makes it sound, nor really of her own doing. She did, in fact, start writing in her thirties, "but for myself, tearing everything up. It never occurred to me to publish anything". It wasn't until Antonia White caught her in the act of throwing away a manuscript that she took the whole business more seriously, and even then the two children's books she embarked on were really written to read aloud to her husband Eric in the evening, as he was by then very ill with Parkinson's disease.

"When he died, in 1970. I had a total block. It was despair. I was paralysed by having no quaiffications and no money." Her youngest son was 16 and still at Dartington. "I had £50 a week to live on. I had to calculate everything. I worked sometimes for friends with an antique shop. I taught A-level French until the school discovered I wasn't trained. I made sweaters for friends who knew how impecunious I was and .I flogged what little silver and jewelry I had left." Even the perfect cottage on the edge of Dartmoor, her home for 18 years, with a stream running through the garden and three acres of woods and grass had to go, not least because the car had finally fallen to pieces and she needed a new one. She sold it while lying in bed with double pneumonia, as would-be buyers traipsed through the house peering nervously at what

they assumed to be a dying sciler. The break in block and fortune came logether. She had been tinkering with a third children's hook called *Haphazard House* (now

up for the Carnegie Prize), and with what became Jumping the Queue, the touching and distinctly autobiographical first novel about a widow in her fifties, in love with animals and her garden, but bent on sufcide. It is both funny and sexy. The confirmation that both had found publishers came the same day. She had no money for the trip to London, but it was sent to her and despair, overnight, became euphoria",

The extreme lack of money had been very real, but it had not always been that way, Mary Wesley was the second daughter of a soldier, and spent her childhood in Europe, her mother moving firmly to France or lialy whenever the colonel got a posting to a place where the family could not go. She was nine and in Portofino when Mussolini held the first Fascist elections and no one in the village, by agreement, would vote, Mary gathered orchids and became a keen child gardener. When a friend complained that the girls were picking up regional accents, they moved to Siena, to the heart of pure-spoken Italian. There were 10 governesses in eight years.

When Mary was 14, her mother decided the moment had come to take her older daughter to join her father in India. The only son was safely at Eton. Mary was placed in a small school in St Leonards, and later for two terms in a London girls' public school. She was unhappy and learnt little. Then came a finishing school in Paris. "I came back to London to do the season. After a few weeks of parties my mother said to me: "Mary. how old are you?" Sixteen, I replied. "My God", she said. "You're much too young." So it was off to a domestic science school for six months, before

coming out at Court.

Now followed years of enforced pleasure, the colonel being no more a believer in working women than he had been in their education. "So I did what girls like me did - nothing at all. I was told to have a good time, and I certainly did." When young men marvelled that she had never read Shaw or H. G. Wells she joined classes in international politics at the London School of Economics and listened to Czechs and Poles displaced by the Treaty of Versailles arguing hitterly, "in a permanent, secting state of rage".



Mary Wesley: "I have trained people not to drop in".

became engaged to an Irish peer, Baron Swinsen. The marriage did not long survive the war, but by then she had two sons and had met the man who was to become her second husband, a journalist called Eric Siepmann, with whom she was, by contrast, exceedingly happy. From France, where he was stationed at the end of the war he sent her Aragon's poems to translate. Siepmann was not as successful a writer as he should have been, but the family moved often, with Mary Wesley attempting to send back articles for publication in reluctant

British newspapers.
When the Dartmoor cottage was sold, she moved in to a very tall, solid, stone house in the middle of Totnes, with the castle behind and the Midland Bank in front, It is

Not long before war broke out she and cosy: but there is no garden and no animal. "I just can't see myself training a new puppy in my nightdress in the middle of the night in the streets of Totnes." Mary Wesley is a neat, handsome woman with a square face and heavy white hair, her manner is both purposeful and shy, hesitant and firm. She dismisses her past and her family with a kind of affectionate contempt. "I have become totally secretive", she says, "I live a hermit's existence. I have trained people not to drop in and not to telephone." Why, I asked her, is the name on her books Wesley? "Ah" she said, with enjoyment, "that is a pseudonym. I knew people would be shocked by Jumping the Queue. They il be a great deal more shocked by The Cantomile Lawn. When you reach my age you must be able to say what you like."

#### **ALAN FRANKS' DIARY**

# To sleep, perchance to split the atom

Child myth number 279; those who sleep badly are dynamic and creative and destined to become top nuclear physicists, concert pianists and cabinet ministers of their day, while those who sleep well can expect little more than a steady livelihood as a filing clerk in a minor insurance

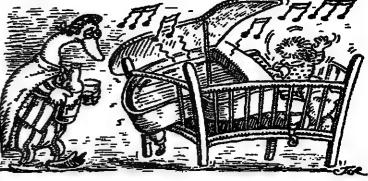
It is such a popular myth that at times it threatens to harden into a cliche, but never quite makes the transition since cliches are threequarters truth and myths three-quarters fiction. No doubt the person who first made this equation between insomnia and high achieve-ment had the purest motives of charity or desperation. The trouble is that we have all taken him (or her) 100 literally and feel we are the victims of some gross genetic rip-off when the little wakeaholies mature

Most parents I know have at some time or other had chronically broken nights and lain awake like passengers on the slow train to dawn, If all these families believed they were harbouring the next Einstein, John Ogden or Geoffrey Howe, there would certainly be some very rude awakenings in the pipeline.

I am happy to report that my horrible lawyer friend, Parvis Mait-land, is having broken nights, thanks to his four-year-old son. Whenever he goes into the child's bedroom to remonstrate, still bleary with port, the boy is ready with a cogent defence for the motion that it is not in fact, two in the morning but four in the afternoon and time for Playschool. No doubts about his future; it has to be the bar.

Just a codicil on that latest and most disastrous visit by Great Aunt Sylvia from Beckenham. Leafing back to mr entry on the subject. I sense contrition on my part, just because a child's explicite went undeleted. Citren that I deplore the Great Aunt's values, and she mine, this is an absurd waste of remorse. True, her fuce looked as though it has just swallowed a year's supply of umbrage; true, her huff arrived and she went off in it (destination: High Dudgeon). But in the seven short days (a long time in polities) which have since passed. I have suddenly grasped what I should have grasped years ago, namely, that I don't care. I just don't care.

She came here, as she always does, bent on sinister discoveries about The New Childhood, and we have settsfied her. These she can now relay on her tissue-thin blue airmail



leuves to the most distant limbs of the fumily. All small children exist to incur the displeasure of someone who is irrelevant to them, and so I should delight in filling an old heart with happiness. More than this, I should thank the ancient relative for the sense of liberation which I now feel, hut somehow I know that my largesse would only be misunderstood. Instead, I shall just wait for her next self-invitation, which will not be long in coming.

A family has just moved into River Street. I don't know their names, but think of them as the sub-Sloanes, They all have green wellingtons which never get muddy and own an Old English Sheepdog called Tarquin, who is a parody of the species. The father strides into the park with a shooting stick and pristine deerstalker. The rumour is that, far from being Something in the City, as you must in order to be a fully paidup Sloane, he is a bit-part actor who did quite well out of Crown Court and General Hospital.

It is their clear intention to raise the tone of the neighbourhood; no sooner had they arrived than the small terraced house sprouted brass carriage lamps and a bay window panes like the base of a wine bottle. It all looks disgustingly bogus to me, not to mention anti-social, so determined are they to distance themselves from the style of their chosen road. As always in these matters, it is the children who speak tacit volumes. There is a boy of seven at my daughter's school who has let it; be known that he will not be honouring the borough with his presence at the secondary education stage. Instead, he is being sent away to Daddy's old school, which I ather is some frightful jail of a place in deepest Dorset. His elder brother is already there and having what

adults would probably refer to as a

uncharitably I know, that the sub-Sloanes could raise the tone of the place still further if they exiled themselves, as well as their children, on a permanent basis.

But to younger matters: Beatrix, Potter is a good deal older than Great Aunt Sylvia ever will be, yet her humanized animals - or are they animalized humans? - grow fresher by the generation. Jemima is no mere durk who ploshed about the lanes of Far Sawrey in the days before the motor car, She is a universal type and we can find her grafted into all manner of frames and characters today.

For example, there is a very old woman in Orchard Road who really does seem to waddle and quack, and so my children have christened her Jemima. As she came towards us this ntorning on our way to school, my daughter was planning to hail her by this name. I tried to dissuade her by asking her how she would like it if a asking her how she would like it if a stranger came up to ber and said "Hello Mrs Tittlemouse". But she just hooted with laughter and said it would be great fun. So much for the rational approach. Anyway, as we came within a couple of yards of her, the old woman looked down, exclaimed "Hello Duckie!", and waddled on, leaving my daughter silent all the way to the school gate. A record.

I am not the only one to find contemporary relevance in the pages of Beatrix Potter. A friend suggests to me that Tabatha Twitchett is Mrs Thatcher to the life, and I hurry back to the text. Well, yes, there is T Twitchett berating Tom Kitten and his grubby playmates for coming unscrubbed to the tea table, and declaiming, with all the peak of a thwarted Euro-statesman, the words: "I am affronted!" Unfortunately this is not a political diary, but there is a

# THE TIMES | Salad

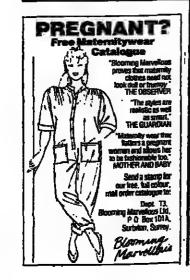


#### **Shona Crawford Poole**

It is a myth that summer is the hest time for salads. True, there are home produced tomatoes and lettuces grown in real earth that, weather willing, will have soaked up a few real sunbeams too. And the most exciting tastes in herbs are summer ones, although some of the excitement may be on account of their seasonal scarcity.

By summer the whole endive family, from pale spears of chicory through ruby radicchio, to bright green frizzy, will have disappeared from greengrocers' counters and market stalls. Corn salad or lamb's lettuce, another winter treat, is nowhere





# days all the year

#### round

to be seen. The fennel buibs and fat red peppers imported from other people's summers are always hardest to come by when ours is at its height and an appetite for salad is universal.

Some of the best winter and year-round salads are first courses which can stand frequent repetition. Italian grocer shops and

delicatessens are the likeliest sources of fresh mozzarella cheese. The finest is said to be made in southern Italy from the milk of water buffalo, but the kind available here is invariably made from cows' milk. It has a smooth, bouncy texture which stops short of rubbery, and a clean, slightly sour taste. Mozzarella's special quality is to melt creamily on top of pizza.

Uncooked, and served with sliced tomatoes, it is a marvellously fresh-tasting prelude 10 simply cooked pasta, or grilled

Mozzarella and tomato salad Serves two to three 3 ripe tomatoes

small, ripe avocado 170g (6oz) mozzarella For the dressing tablespoons olive oil

1 teaspoon wine vinegar 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard Salt and freshly ground black

1 clove gartic, finely chopped

Dip the tomatoes briefly in boiling water to loosen the skins and peel them. Cut them in Cut the avocado in halves and remove the stone and skin.
Slice the flesh thickly.
Cut the mozzarella in slices

of a thickness compatible with the tomatoes and avocado. Arrange the sliced fruit and cheese attractively on individual plates. Combine the dress-ing ingredients and shake them well together. Trickle the dressing generously over the salad and serve it with plenty of hot, crusty french bread.

To vary this salad omit the avocado and sprinkle the cheese and tomatoes with a few slivers of salted anchovy, with small, pungent black olives or with capers. Fresh herbs, especially



good, 100.

·The same thick, mustardy vinaigrette dressing used in the last recipe unites warm new potatoes and crunchy greenstuffs in a satisfyingly earthy salad. Alternatively, this simple combination of ingredients may be garnished with crisp chunks of smoked bacon, and the rendered bacon fat used to make a hot dressing. Chopped hard-boiled egg is an additional garnish for either version.

450g (1lb) small new potatoes 1 clove gartic, peeled 1/2 head curty or trizzy endive, or a

For the dressing 110g (4oz) smoked streaky bacon, 2 tablespoons wine vinegar Salt and freshly ground black

Scrub the potatoes and boil or steam them in their skins until they are tender. Rub a large bowl with a cut

clove of garlic and add the

drained potatoes to it. Keep Put the chopped bacon in a cold pan and heat slowly, increasing the heat as the fat begins to melt. Cook until the bacon is crisp, then remove it with a slotted spoon and add it to the potatoes. Add the leaves

to the salad bowi. Sur the vinegar into the bot bacon fat, and season the dressing with salt (if needed); and plenty of black pepper. Pour the dressing over the salad and turn the greenstuff and dressing. The second should be potatoes in the dressing to coat them well.

on warm plates. Leeks vinaigrette may be is particularly good.

served lukewarm or cold. For this dish the smallish lecks widely available now are particularly suitable. Leeks vinaigrette Serves four

680g (11/sbs) young leaks For the dressing 2 hard-boiled egg yolks 1/4 teaspoon mustard Salt and freshly ground black

2 tablespoons wine vinegar 120mt (4fl oz) olive oil

Trim the roots and coarse outer leaves from the leeks so that the prepared vegetables are approximately equal in length and thickness. Slit each leek lengthwise to within a handspan of its base and wash.

Tie the leeks into three or four bundles - tape is better than string for the binding - and cook them for about 15 minutes, or until tender, in boiling salted water. Drain. Loosen the bundles and drain the lecks well before arranging them on plates.

Mix the crumbled egg yolks, mustard, salt, pepper and vinegar to a smooth paste then gradually mix in the oil to make a thick dressing. Check the seasoning and spoon the dressing over the leeks.

Really fresh mushrooms which are tightly shut have a crisp texture that has underexploited salad potential. Wipe the mushrooms clean and trim the stalks level with the caps before slicing them quite thinly. Serve the slices with two dressings. Salted creme fraiche

or soured cream, or fresh cream and yogurt mixed is one a vinaigrette made with fresh lemon juice. A little walnut oil. Serve the salad immediately mixed with an almost tasteless oil like peanut or sunflower oil.

# Under the shadow of a bully

"I hate school."
Gemma spoke with
such vehemence that we all looked up in surprise. We were in the middle of Christmas dinner and school had been far

from the minds of everyone "I thought it looked a lovely school", said her grand-mother gently, "Why don't you like it?" But Gemma was not to be drawn, "I hate it", was all she would say.
Of course it is not unusual for a child of four and a half to

dislike school, but the odd thing in Gemma's case was that she had always loved it and looked forward to it with an eagerness unequalled by almost any other activity. If she was unwell- I would say "it was a school holiday, otherwise she would cry at being unable to go. The transition from playgroup to nursery school, and nursery to infants' school was complished without any kind of trauma, but during her first term-at infants we moved away from the area and within a week of starting at her new school she had developed a fear and dislike of it that we could not have imagined previously. In the mornings she would become quiet and withdrawn as we approached the school and when it was time for me to leave she would cling to my legs and cry in what seemed like

Each afternoon I took to checking with the teacher on Gemma's progress for that day. She did not seem greatly happier during the rest of the day than at the start of it, but reasons for her unhappiness were not difficult to find and we were mostly agreed on what they were she had changed schools mid-term when other children had already settled and formed friendships; she had come from a school of only 150 infants to a primary twice that size and at which she was the youngest; she had lost contact with old friends and familiar surroundings; and she had recently had a small operation which we had been warned could leave her feeling depressed. So we consoled our-selves with the thought that Gemma's reaction was largely explicable. .

But she did not settle down.

Christmas came and went and with it went our hope that the new term would bring an improvement. If anything she was becoming more distressed. decided that if between us we could find no answer to Gemma's problems than I should have to consider taking her away.

It was several days before I

#### FIRST PERSON

Lynn Peters

could see the teachers and in the meantime Gemma mentioned that she had cried at dinnertime and had been moved to a different seat. "Why did the dinner lady move you?" I asked, puzzled. "Ricky kept upsetting me", she said. She rarely mentioned children by name but I remembered hearing of Ricky before and as I pondered, various other unrelated incidents came to mind. "Don't you like Ricky?" I probed. "I hate him", she replied and after some persuasion added sorrowfully, "He

calls me pudding face". I knew that Ricky was not in her class so I wondered how shehad come into contact with him., "He's on my table at dinner", she explained. I had not realized that the children had their seats allocated at meal times: always the same seat at the same table, so here was a perfect opportunity for an older child to intimidate a younger in a relatively unsupervised situation.

As an experiment I asked for Gemma to be moved to a different table. And the child I met at the school gates that afternoon was a changed personality. She was cheerful, excited to tell me the day's happenings, and for the first time began to talk with enthusiasm of the other children she knew. The following morning she cried briefly, the next day not at all. She let go of my hand voluntarily and was gone without a glance.

During this period I met with Gemma's teachers and I was staff were as concerned as I was to help Gemma scitle down and intended to monitor the situation. Thankfully, I am now once

again the mother of a well adjusted and cheerful schoolchild but it was sheer chance that the solution came to light when it did and I wonder how long the problem might otherwise have persisted. I had thought that perhaps I was at fault for not pressing

Gemma more closely to discuss her fears but a friend who, as a young child, was the victim of bullying, tells me that this would probably not have worked. "It's not something you can bear to talk about", she told me. "It's too painful and

too humiliating".

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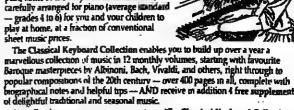
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# Daring dramatist of the Depression

A superlative production of Clifford Odets's 1935 drama Anake and Sing! at the Berkeley Repertory Theater, across the bay from San Francisco, provides the latest instalment in the extraordinary revival of interest in the early work of this American dramatist laureate of those hideous depression years which followed the Wall Street crash of 1929. By last autum the phenomenon of this revival had attracted the attention of the New York weekly l'ariety, which reported productions of Rocket to the thom and The Country Girl in London, as well as American productions of Paradise Lost, iolden Boy and Night Music.

Odets died in 1963 -Hollywood, where he had long since turned his back on his early. revolutionary plays in favour of assembling screenplays which brought him a princely income but also, from more than one disappointed critic, the accusatory question, "Odets, where is thy sting!" His earlier plays, though, had marked a turning point in American theatre, and many had hailed him, of that time, as America's best dramatist since Eugene O'Neill. laier Arthur Miller and Tennessee Williams eclipsed him and only this current spate of revivals has brought him to the attention of an entire new

generation which probably had never even heard his name before.

Odets sprang amazingly full-panoplied directly from the head of that extraordinary New York theatrical collective known as The Group, which, under the leadership of Lee Strasberg and Harold Clurman, had introduced into America the Konstantin Stanislavsky method of acting and made major theatrical history for a single decade. Thereafter the siren song of Hollywood depleted its acting company and rising costs of production forced it out of business.

The literary agent who today handles Odets's works has her own theory about the revival of interest in his plays. "He spoke of hope," she says, "and I think people are eager for that kind of positive message, All his plays have a dark side, but he a favourable light and a life to reach for." Odets wrote of workingclass people battling with might and main to survive unprecedentedly hard economic times, and he implied that, only revolution would bring salvation. He did in fact take the title of his first full-length play from Isaiah 26:19 ("Awake and sing. ye that dwell in dust!"), but behind it. unmistakably, rang the epochal apostrophe of Karl Marx. Today, 49 years later, the Census Rureau in Washington has just

first attracted attention, and smashingly, with his first play, in one act, Waiting for Lefty, set in a Taxi Drivers' Union meeting hall; by 1938 it had almost countless

cans subsisted below the poverty level in 1982. The very day Awake

and Sing! opened at the Berkeley

Rep. The Washington Post reported: "The nation's leading mayors....

told a House [of Representatives] sub-committee hearing that hunger

and homelessness are increasing in most major cities. .... Such facts make the current Odets's revival

perhaps not so remarkable after all.

Odets, who had left school at 14.

joined The Group as an actor, but he

productions, all over the world, and Odets called it "a kind of light machine-gun that you wheeled in" whenever there was a strike". (Later, in a parody entitled Waiting for Santy, S. J. Perelman distilled, in one sentence, the least felicitous side of Odets's style when he had his hero ardently declare to his girl "I got a belly full of moonbeams".) in 1932, sitting on the edge of his bed in the smallest, coldest room of "The Group Poorhouse", his portable typewriter on his knees, Odets had written a play. ( Got the Blues. Harold Clurman read it and rejected it; he found it "too personal; too

bitter, too doubled over with pain".

announced that 34,000,000 Americans subsisted below the poverty contained, in Alfred Kazin's words, the "lyric uplifting of blunt Jewish speech, boiling over and explosive" which would also characterize the subsequent plays Odets set in that Bronx milieu he had grown to know in childhood,

Joy Carlin. Acting Artistic Direc-tor of the Berkeley Rep, has staged a production which would grace any theatrical metropolis, one which exemplifies the extraordinary stan-dards which have made this company not only a regional but a national treasure. Irving Israel as the immigrant socialist grandfather. Suzanne Shepherd as the martriarch whom economic pressures have transformed into a fury, and Tony Amendola as Moe Axelrod, a wounded veteran of the First World War, stand out especially in an exemplary ensemble cast.

The San Francisco Bay area fairly

seethes at present with theatrical creativity. On the one hand, the adventurously experimental An-tenna Theater, which has appeared at the Holland Festival and in five German cities, has just taken a fascinating step with Annesia, in which each member of the limited audience, equipped with a Sony Walkman and earphones, proceeds to move through the play's environment and become directly involved.



Dinner at the Bergers' in Awake and Sing! including Irving Israel as Jacob (in braces) and Suzanne Shepherd as Bessie (far end of table)

possibilities.
On the other hand, sadly, the

Berkeley Stage, another brilliant

together with the masked actors, in the dramatic story - a technological innovation of enormous future company, has just closed down for good, its last productions included Soul Murder. a dazzling multimedia realization of the Schreber case" which Sigmund Freud made famous. Now the

company has died, a casualty of the same economic vice which crushed the life out of The Group - that experimental company without which we would probably never have had Clifford Odets:

Opera:

# Muti reveals the beauty and brilliance

#### I Capuleti e i Montecchi

Covent Garden

The mud Berlioz threw at / Capalett e i Montecchi, Bellini's Romeo and Juliet opera, after a performance he happened to catch in Florence in the early 1830s, certainly stuck. After filing against casting Romeo as a mezzo Berlioz complained. among other things, that there was no ball at the Capulets', no Mercutio, no nurse, no balcony, "no Shakespeare, nothing - a wasted opportunity". These are among the reasons, apart from the difficulty of casting the two major roles, why Bellini's work has not been seen at Covent Ciarden since 1848.

Fortunately it has returned in performance that is so distinguished musically that a great deal of the Berlioz mud is likely to be washed away. The cleanser-in-chief is Riccardo Muti, who puts the lie once and for all to the assertion that Rellini was a weak and slipshod bedini was a weak and supsuod orchestrater. (That belief has been fostered by the all-too-frequent practice precents of placing Bellini's operas so apart, into the hands of second rank conductors.) Muti is a sconductor of the very first fank; and, after an overture takentiet a have ferocious enough for enlimb, he settled, to reveal the beauties of Bellini's scope, the preatest of which are the belound among the passages for celles horns and clauses films are hearif at the character to quanti control means very eloquent indeed, in the preludes to those arias and duets Bellini gives to his Romeo and

Giulietta. The lead into Giulietta's opening Cavatina, "Oh quante olte", the most familiar num-



Civilielta (Effila Gruberova, right) awakens and finds her poisoned Romeo (Agnes Baltsa)

hlonde praing bar her darkly handshare Romer in purely physical serms these two had to come from separate Veronese

opening Cavatina. "Oh quante voite" the most familiar number in the score, set the highest standard for orchestral playing and that was maintained for the rest of the evering. The solo instruments, especially the horns, were on their very best behaviourg but the true quality came from Mutis constant feel for the parker of the missic as uave silkmess which never falls into the trap of languor. The only regret was that a couple of vears ago Covent Garden failed to not Muti as their next music director while ta Scala only last week succeeded.

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tedly late debut at the Opera Luccise", in which Romeo. Pier-Luigi Pizzi provided his House and Agoes Baltsa, arrives at the Capulets discova sets, which took a very guised as the Montagues vertical view of Verona; polambassador, one of the few improbabilities in Romani's compact adaptation for Bellini of one of his cartier libretti. Thereafter her interpretation was beyond reproach. The figure was intense and brooding, a little like Mrs Patrick Campbell in one of her meatier roles, in love here with but one woman, for there is no hint of Rosaline. The darkness of the lones, consistent throughout the register, made nonsense of those who argue for a tenor Romeo. Covent Garden will be lucky to

hear a better individual per-The one tenor among the principals was Dano Raffanti, a. roly-poly, clean-voiced pertormer not very Tebaldo-like in a role which does not offer much opportunity after his aria is completed. Pavarotti, though.

Sixties Capulett. Gwenne seized them all it is to be hoped Howell and John Tomlinkows thin a record company is there were thoroughly respectable in the wings taking everything the head of the Capulets and down John Higgins the family physician.

ished marble pillars gilded at head and foot which moved according to the location, a of well-trimmed gimpse cypresses, huge and amplebuttocked guardian angles at Giulietta's tomb. It was a highly polished classical view of a romantic story, which is the property of Italy as well as Shakespeare. His staging was equally formal, with a refusal to put false action into a fairly static opera. As such it was thoroughly musical and a mirror reflection of Bellini's

There are weaknesses Cupulett, of course. A lack of eroticism for one. Bellini's reluctance to respond to what Pougin, one of the composer's carliest biographers, called the vituations pathetiques. But the rewards for mezzo, soprano and thought it worthwhile singing, orchestra are tremendous and during some of those unide. Balisa, Gruberova and Muti orchestra are tremendous and

John Higgins

When John Hiatt was in Britain autumn his solo perform ances gave us several glimpses

quite revealing them entirely. His recent visit - only two

The axiom that it is the poor who get the blame is enshrined in song, and to this lamentable truth Stephen Fagan's comedy Under the Hammer, on BBC! last night, only appeared to add the rider that subservience does not help. This play, which poked around the potential for venality in a London art dealer's, did much to raise optimism about Play for Today. which seemed bent on continuing depression.

Mr Fagan has an acute ear for dialogue on both sides of the tracks. On the one hand there were the mannered, coded exchanges between the gallery's managing director (Michael Aldridge) and its chief art expert (James Maxwell); on the other the equally mannered and

Television Codes of conduct The gallery was on the eye of

a major sale with an impending Royal visit and a suspect Van Gogh, whose status was further hreatened when it received a damaging kick by the head porter (Peter Vaughan), a man who knew his station, in the course of a row with a communist colleague (Robert Putt). What followed was a conspiracy to ensure that all was well on the day, which involved the surreptitious services of an

storer adeptly played by Peter Bayliss. He saved the day but not the head porter's job.

It was very funny indeed, the humour sustaining the tricky introduction of a Princess Di lookalike. All the cast were splendid and Richard Wilson's direction took skilful advantage Mr Fagan's invention. Michael Wearing produced.

BBC2's Arena gave us Jerry Lee Lewis, who first told us that there was a Whole Lot of Shakin' Going On in the Fifties and was then shown in action. coded communications between eccentric but brilliant art re- Now 47, he is still shaking and,

though the years have fled, he can still afford plantos severe chastisement,

His renowned eccentricity has suffered no diminution. He manufests this not only is his style but by a series of incomprehensible asides to his audience and colleagues and, in, this performance, by suddenly hurling away his glasses - he might call them shades - to reveal a pair of eyes that told their own story.

Thuse who seek to soothe mesmerized by this manic display to fumble for the remote control and seek calmer waters.

#### Concerts

# Capturing the imaginative moment

Georgian/Benson
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accelerando emerges as the cello labours and bites against the piano's percussive promptings own arrong inventive identity.

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Philharmonia/Davis

Festival Hall

Elgar's Coronation Ode for Edward VII is rarely heard these days, and so we had good reason to be grateful to the Friends of the Philharmonia for sponsoring this resurrection of the work under Andrew Davis's fervent direction. A period piece of stirring patriotism the work may be, but it contains some excellent music. The opening chorus, "Crown the King with life", for example, is almost symphonic in pro-

At a pianist's debut recital one hardly expects to hear a work with saxophone replacing the central piece of the programme. in a barely hour-long concert the Lebanese pianist Walid Howrani substituted his own. Exotica for Rachmaninov's Corelli Variations. Much as I was impressed by Linda Frye Chaikin's saxophone-playing, I did not think that the rest of the programme warranted such a change.

Beethoven's C major Sonata,

Op 2 No 3, was uninspired and

from The Magic Lutoslawski, attention was turnster, a long propulsive Flute. Here cello and piano cd. creditably, to the works

portion, going far beyond the apparent requirements of A. C. Benson's text. "The Queen' "Daughter of Ancient Kings", the two hymns that follow, are wonderfully reflective, entirely devoid of bombast, while the final "Land of Hope and Glory" makes the original seeting of that tune in the first Pomp and Circum-

stance march seem artificial. This performance did the the quartet of solo singers. Buchanan alternated magically

music an admirable service. Of Maldwyn Davies and Isobel "Hark upon the hallowed while Buchanan and

London debuts nical accomplishment in L'Isle. Joveuse was undeniable

The British violinist Abiguil Rushworth, on the other-hand, if a little erratic, still managed to convey a well-schooled musicianship and a flair for her instrument. Her recital was built around Brahms's D minor Sonata and Bach's G minor selo often mannered and a Debussy group lacked both colour and poetic refinement (though tech-that had a stabilizing effect. In

the Brahms they produced the spacious phrasing and warm-toned sentiment that is of the composer's essence. I especially liked Miss Rushworth's fluent bowing in the Bach, and here she scored a real triumph in the fugue, where dynamic shading of the voices was ideal.

Einar Henning Smebye from Norway appeared as duo part-ner of the violinist Vanya Milanova, and he managed to match her golden sonorities with some innocently lyrical piano playing, though Grieg's C minor Sonata was as notable for its assertiveness as for the more familiar reflective mood. Smebye was a little weak on echhique in demanding rhythmical passages; but he and Malanova scored a streets in introducing Thommessen's essentially traditional in piece Please accept my ears

contributions of the Philharmo-

Before this work, we heard

two contrasting but equally

outmoded approaches to Bach.

The Fifth Brandenburg Con-

certo: which Davis directed

from the harpsichord, was

adequately scaled down but

received a rather shoddy per-

nia Chorus and Orchestra.

James Methuen-Campbell

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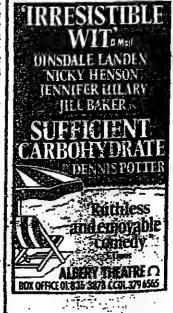
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Given with much larger forces, the cantata Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben took us back to the days when it was thought better to obscure Bach's counterpoint, despite some graceful solo singing and the ine obbligatos of Gordon Hunt's oboe d'amore and John Wallace's trumpet.

Stephen Pettitt



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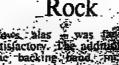
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# Solicitors' restrictive covenant not unreasonable

Bridge v Deacons Before Lord Faser of Tullybelton, Lord Wilberforce, Lord Scarman, Lord Roskill and Lord Templeman Judgment delivered March 26]

The Judicial Committee of the Pricy Council held that a covenant in a solicitors' partnership agree-ment whereby a partner who ceased years thereafter from acting as a solicitor in Hongkong for any chent of the firm at the time he ceased to he a partner or during the preceding three years, was enforceable against turn, and it was not unenforceable as heing in unreasonable restraint of

Their Lordships disagreed with observations made by Lord Denning Master of the Rolls, in Oswald Hickson Collier & Cox Carter-Ruck (unreported) in the Court of Appeal on January 20, 1982.

Their Lordships dismissed an appeal by the defendant. Mr Robin M. Bridge, from a decision of the Court of Appeal of Hongkong on May 3, 1983, who dismissed an appeal by the defendant from the appear by the defendant from the judgment of Mr Justice Hunter, who had granted the plaintiff firm, Deacons, an interlocutory injunction restraining the defendant from acting contrary to the provisions of

Sir Patrick Neill, OC and Mr Paul Andrew Smith for the defendant, Mr Leonard Hollmann, OC and Mr Richard McCombe for the plaintiff

LORD FRASER said that the question was whether a restrictive covenant in a partnership agreement between partners in a firm of solicitors was enforceable against one of their number who had ceased to be a partner, or whether it was intenferceable as being in unreason-

able restraint of trade. It was well established law that covenants in restraint of trade were unenforceable unless they could be shown to be reasonable in the interests of the parties, affording no more than adequate protection, and

in the public interest. It had come to be accepted that certain types of contract which imposed a measure of interference with the freedom of trade were treated as not being within the field of restraint of trade, provided that the degree of interference did not exceed the accepted standard.

One such type was the type of contract where a man sold his husiness with its goodwill and accepted a limitation on his right to compete. The justification for that limitation was that it enhanced the price which the vendor could obtain for his business.

Even in contracts of that type it was necessary to consider whether the restrictions on the vendor of the goodwill were fairly and properly ancillary to the sale, and if they exceeded that limit the doctrine of restraint of trade might be applied.

imposed on former employees. Only sible for it.

restrictions were normally enforce-able, and if their effect would merely be to protect the employer from competition from his former employee they would be invalid the circumstances were

unusual.

The agreement in the present case, being one between partners, did not conform exactly to either of those types, although it had some resemblance to both. A decision on whether the restrictions in this could not be reached by attempting to place the agreement in any particular category, or by seeking for the category to which it was most closely analogous.

The proper approach was that adopted by Lord Reid in Esso Petroleum Co Ltd 1 Harper's Garage (Stourport) Ltd ([1968] AC 269, 301), to ascertain what were the legitimate interests of the plainfull from which it was antibled to exclude firm which it was entitled to protect. and whether the restraints were more than adequate for that purpose. What were the plaintiff's legitimate interests would depend largely on the nature of the business, and on the position of the defendant

in the firm. The plaintiff was one of the oldest and largest firms of-solicitors in Hongkong. At the time these pro-ceedings began it had 27 partners and employed 49 assistant solici-

The defendant began his con-nexton with the firm in 1967 when he entered its employment as an assistant sulicitor. He had not previously practised as a solicitor in Hungkong. He became a salaried purtner in July 1973, and was admined a full capital partner on April 1, 1974, when he was aged

He worked generally for several partners, but fairly soon he began working for one partner, Mr Turnbull, and he developed a growing interest in intellectual and dustrial property law and in the law relating to trade marks.

That was an area of the firm's practice which had been growing during the 1960s. The growth continued during the 1970s partly hecause industrial design copyright became actionable in Hongkong in

The defendant's invitation to join the firm as a salaried partner was given in expectation, which was fulfilled, that Mr Turnbull would the following year become a senior partner and the defendant would then become the partner responsible for that part of the practice

An important feature of the case was that the firm was divided into a number of departments, largely separate from each other. The division had occurred as a result of the great expansion in the practice over about the past 20 years. The division was emphasized by

the fact that each file was The other type of contract was specifically assigned to the pariner that in which restrictions were who remained ultimately respon-

The industrial property department was moved in about July 1981 to a separate suite of offices on a different floor. The defendant was thus physically, to some extent, cut off from the other departments. The for those clients of the firm who made use of the intellectual and industrial property department.

In 1981 the total delivered bills the firm was approximately HK\$132.000.000 of which only about 4.5 per cent was attributable to that department, About 10 per cent of the total number of files was marked as being the responsibility of the defendant

Thus he had no connexion or dealings with over 90 per cent of the firm's clients, and, as he claimed, he had no advantage over any other solicitor in seeking to attract their

In those circumstances it was contended on behalf of the defendant that the plaintiff was not entaled to protection against him acting for clients of the firm for whom he had never acted while he was a partner, and that the plaintiff was only entitled to protect such part of its goodwill as would be threatened by him if he were to set up practice on his own account, and that part consisted only of the business which he was advan-tageously placed to attract because it came from clients for whom he had cted and to whom he was known,

Their Lordships did not accept that submission. The partners in the firm, as constituted from time to time, were the owners of the firm's whole assets, including its most valuable asset: goodwill,

The defendant had owned a share of the assets while he was a partner, but he transferred his share to the continuing partners when he ceased

The question was whether it was reasonable, as between the parties, for the plaintiff to obtain protection against appropriation by the defendant of any part of the goodwilk notwithstanding the "departmentalization" of the prac-

It was reasonable provided that the protection did not extend beyond the plaintiff's practice, and that had not been suggested.

The mutuality of the contract was a most important consideration. The contract applied equally to all the partners. None of them could tell whether he might find himself in a position of being a retiring partner subject to the restriction. continuing partner with an interest to enforce the restriction.

it was suggested on behalf of the defendant that a restriction which would have been reasonable between the parties would have been one restricting a retiring partner from acting for clients for whom he had personally acted or for

Consequently each partner's whose work he was generally knowledge of the firm's business responsible by, for instance, files tended to be concentrated on his having been opened bearing reference to his name.

-But a restriction on those lines might well be difficult to apply, particularly in the case of a client who had sought advice from several partners at different times on a

Moreover it might work unfairly in the case of a pariner who had acted only for a small number of clients, perhaps very large clients whose business took up practically his whole time, as compared with another partner with a large number of relatively small clients.

part of the argument for the defendant was that it overlooked the fact that the firm had one single practice in which each of the partners had an interest.

They shared in the profits and losses of the partnership, and each stood to benefit to some extent from the success of each of the others in attracting clients. It might be possible that a partnership could exist in which the partners' interests were so separated as to make an agreement such as that in the present case unreasonable, but this was not such a case.

was not such a ease.

The restriction included persons who had been clients within the previous three years. That was perfectly reasonable having regard to the intermittent nature of a solicitor's employment by any particular client. There must be many regular clients of a solicitor's firm who did not have occasion to firm who did not have occasion to employ that firm even as often as

once every three years.
The five years limitation was also in no way unreasonable. There appeared to be no reported case where a restriction which was otherwise reasonable had been held to be unreasonable solely because of

Some weight should be given to the fact that the restriction was found in a partnership agreement which had evidently been carefully drafted and which must be taken to represent the views of experienced solicitors who would be well aware that an unduly severe restriction would be unenforceable.

One further argument against the reasonableness of the restriction, as between the parties, turned on the alleged inadequacy of the consider-ation provided for in the agreement. The amount paid to a retiring

partner in respect of goodwill was merely nominal and was in no way related to its real value baving regard to the large profits earned by the firm. It might well be that the defendant's share of the goodwill was not sold for its market value in cash, but that was immaterial. It passed to the continuing partners not by a sale for a cash consideration in 1983, but as part of the contract made in 1974.

The adequacy of the consideration and the reasonableness of the ation and the reasonableness of the contract as between the parties had to be judged in 1974. At that date the defendant received 5 per cent share in the partnership business and all its assets, including goodwill. In return he agreed to various onditions, one of which was that he

would transfer his stare in the buiness, including goodwill, to the continuing partners when he retired, and would thereafter not compete The value placed upon goodwill

in 1974 and in 1984 might have been only nominal but there were good reasons for treating it in that way. One reason was to avoid the need to value it on each occasion, and thus to avoid much trouble and expense.

Another reason was that when a

new capital partner joined a large firm he was not normally in a position to pay the full market value of his share of the goodwill, and the only practicable system was to charge him a nominal sum, it was therefore reasonable that when a partner retired he should receive only a nominal sum for his share o

Accordingly the restriction was Accordingly the restriction was not unreasonable between the parties by reason of the consideration paid to the defendant having been inadequate.

On the injection of reasonable ness in the public interest, there was a clear public interest in facilitating the assumption by established solicitors firms of younger men as pariners. It benefited clients by tending to secure continuity in the practice. It also tended to encourage the entry of younger men into the

Their Lordships accepted the evidence that the continuing partners is the plaintiff firm would have felt able to take on new capital partners only if they knew that in doing so they would not run the risk that the new partners would acquire a connection with clients of the firm and then depart with that part of the

Conversely the new capital pariners in the firm were required to purchase their share of its goowill, but they could not reasonably be expected to do that if a retiring partner could freely remove part of the goodwill. Accordingly the restriction was reasonable in the

public interest. In Oswald Hickson Collier & Cov Currer-Rick (unreported) decided in the (English) Court of Appeal on January 20, 1987, according to the transcript, Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, referring to a provision in a solicitors' partnership agreement that a returing partner should not act for any clients of the firms said:

"I cannot see that it would be proper for a clause to be inserted in a partnership deed preventing one of the partners from acting for a client in the future. It is contrary to public policy because there is a fiduciary relationship between

"The client ought reasonably to be entitled to the services of such solicitor as he wishes. That solicitor no doubt has a great deal of confidential information available prevented from acting for him by a clause of this kind."

Lord Justice Kerr and Lord Justice May agreed with him.
If those dicts were intended to state a general rule, their Lordships must respectfully but emphatically decline to agree with it. It was unsupported by authority, and appeared to have been made without any reference to the fact that it was directly contrary to a considerable volume of authority including a decision of the House of Lords in Fitch v Deves ([1921] 2 AC

it was also unjustified in principle. For one thing a solicitor was always (except to some extent in legal aid cases) entitled to refuse to act for a particular person, and it was difficult to see any reason why he should not be entitled to bind himself by contract not to act in future for a particular group of

For another thing the relation-ship of solicitor and client was not unique in being confidential. The relationships of medical men with their patients and of many other professional men with their clients

were also confidential. If there were a general rule that they could not bind themselves not to act for former clients of the firm after they had retired from a parinership, the results would be very far reaching. It had to be remembered that the clients were clients of the firm, rather than of an

individual partner.
Those and other objections to treating the dicts in the Carter-Ruck case as being of general application were pointed out by Mr Justice Walton in Edwards v Wortows (unreported) on March 18, 1983. and in that case in the Court of Appeal on March 25, 1983, Lord Justice Dillon and Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, both treated the obiter dicta in the Carter-Ruck case as not being of general application. Their Lordships agreed with that view.

Their Lordships recommended that the appeal should be dismissed

Solicitors: Herbert Smith & Co. Lovell, White & King.

### No costs for appellant

Lau Sik-Chun + The Queen The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council would not award a successful appellant in a criminal matter before the Board costs against the prosecution save in exceptional circumstances.

The Judicial Committee (Lord Fraser of Tullybetton, Lord Wilber-force, Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Scarman and Lord Bridge of Harwich) on March 26, gave reasons for advising that an appeal from the Court of Appeal of Hongkong, which had affirmed the

appellent's murder conviction, be LORD BRIDGE said that their Lordships had been told that the costs had been provided by the appellant and his father, who were

both of limited means. No exceptional circumstances could be, nor were, suggested, and no fault in bringing the case could be attributed to the prosecution. It was merely a question of a conviction which had gone wrong in the sense that the law had been wrongly applied. Accordingly, no award of costs would be approviate.

use not necessary but was sure that during that period she kept the set readily available for operation and intended to use it if the occasion grose.

Before Lord Justice Kerr and Mr Justice McNeill The sole issue was whether to establish an offence under the The offence of using an apparatus for wireless telegraphy without a licence, contrary to section 1(1) of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949, was committed where the set was available for use at any time and it section of having used an apparatus, it was necessary for the prosecution to establish that the set was switched

on and transmitting and receiving during those dates. The crown court concluded that that was not the proper meaning of "use" in that section, and that it would be virtually impossible to obtain a conviction if the operator

had to be apprehended at the time Even without reference to the defendant's state of mind. that is, her intention to use the set in the future, the offence had been established by the fact that the set was available for immediate use at

Mr. Christopher Pearson for the befendant: Mr Anthony Morris for any time. The word "use" should be given a broad and sensible interpretation of being available for use. It was going the prosecutor.

being available for use. It was going LORD JUSTICE KERR said that too far to require proof that the set section 1(!) was also applicable to

was being used at the time. Mr Justice McNeill agreed.

Solicitors: J. S. Sierzant & Co. Chorley: March Pearson & Skelton.

between January and December

1981 Mr Berry had made a quantity of electronic timers designed for use

by terrorists in the construction of

time-bombs, and exported them to the Middle East. His defence was

that he had never knowingly dealt with terrorists and that, as far as he

Mr Roy D. Amlot and Mr Nigel

Sweeney, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant: Mr David Cocks, QC and

LORD JUSTICE DUNN, giving

was aware, the timers were made for any terrorist purpose.

#### Explosives UK limit The prosecution had alleged that

Regina v Berry Before Lord Justice Dunn, Mr

D (a Minor) v Yates

[Judgment delivered March 26]

was unnecessary to prove that the set had been used or that the defendant intended to use it.

The Queen's Bench Divisional part so held and dismissed the

Court so held and distributed defendant's appeal from the dismissal by Manchester Crown Court

(Judge Kershaw and a justice) of her appeal against conviction of an offence that between November 13.

1982, and November 20, 1982, the

FM CB transceiver without a

The crown court, having considered the evidence, was not sure that the defendant had operated the set between November 13 and 20

Mr Christophia

television licences.

Justice Stocker and Mr Justice Jupp LJudgment delivered March 261 The offence under section 4 of the Explosive Substances Act 1883 did not prohibit the manufacture here of

explosive substances to be used for an unlawful object outside the United Kingdom

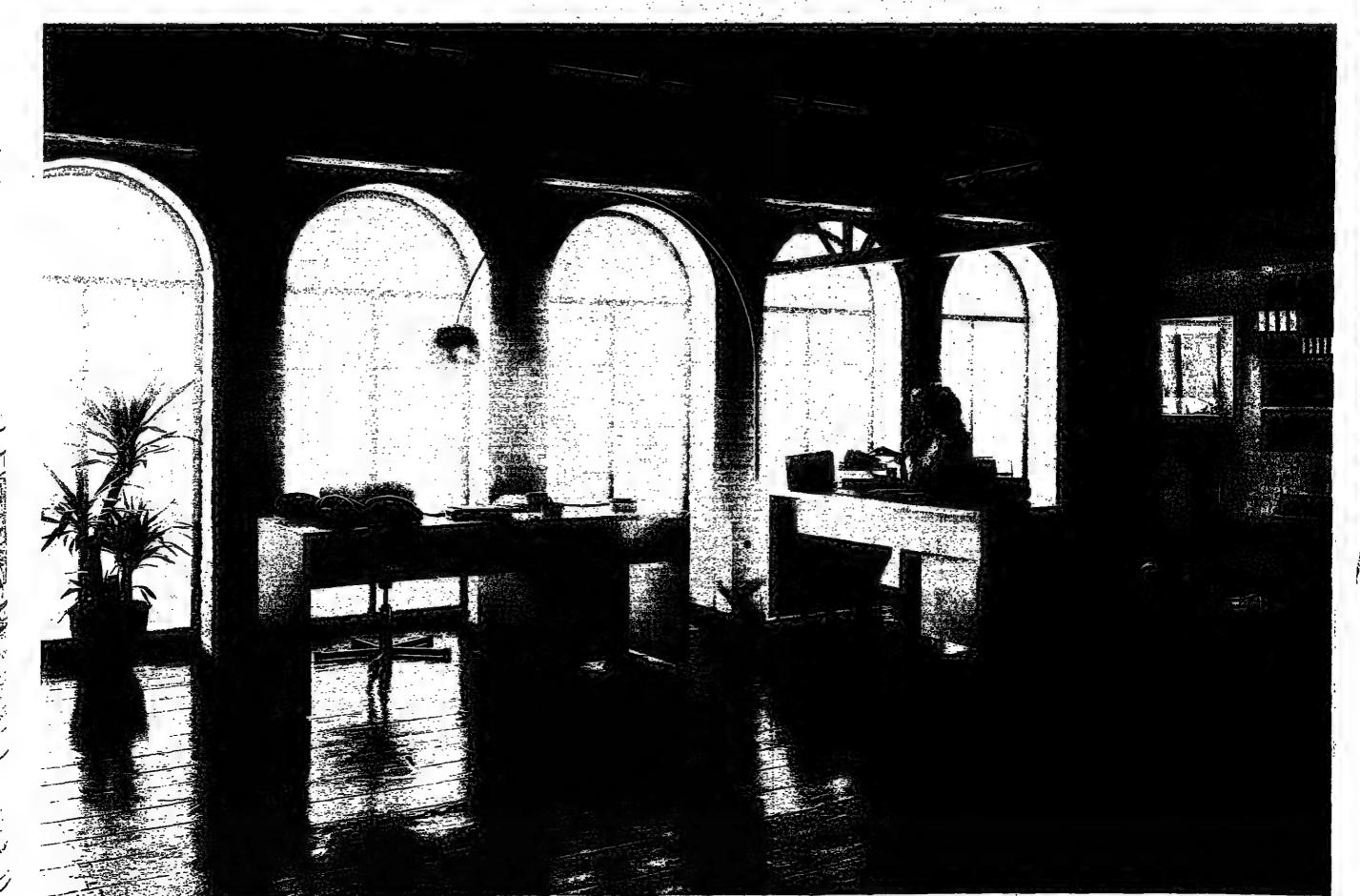
United Kingdom.

The Court of Appeal allowed an appeal by John Rodney Francis Berry and quashed his conviction on May 24, 1983 in Chelmsford Crown Court (Judge Greenwood) of making explosive substances in suspicious circumstances, contrary to section 4 of the 1893 Act for to section 4 of the 1883 Act, for which he had been sentenced to cight years' imprisonment.

the judgment of the court, said that the trial judge had fallen into error in directing the jury to consider the purpose for which the timers were to be used abroad. In particular in saying that it mattered not where the explosions were going to take place, whether in this country or elsewhere.

Their Lordships were of opinion that there were statutory provisions which would effectively prohibit the manufacture of explosives in this country for use abroad, but section 4 of the 1883 Act was not one of them. It might be that the section should be looked at in the proper place, but that was not a matter for their Lordships.

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# THE TIMES **DIARY**

#### Old Mark's good home

The Courtauld Institute was yesterday accused of currying favour with the Government by lending Mrs Thatcher nine of its works to hang in fier Chequers home. The disclosure of the two-year loan, confirmed vesterday by No 10, comes only weeks after the Government announced a £50.000 donation towards the institute's £3m move to Somerset House, The claim was made by Courtauld students who resent being denied access to the paratings, which were handpicked paintings, which were handpicked for Mrs Thatcher by Sir Geoffrey Agnew, chairman of Agnew's the London art dealers, and Lord Campbell of Eskan, They include works by Pissarro, Alan Ramsay, Henry Raeburn, Winifred Nicholson and Bloomsbury set members Roger For and Vanessa Bell Fry and Vanessa Bell.

resterday Dr Dennis Farr. director of the Courtauld, denied his students' accusation: Chequers seemed a "good home" for the pictures because only 40 per cent of works can be hung until the move. Meanwhile Mrs Thatcher, who was at pains to show off the Wellington and Nelson portraits in Downing Street to the United States Falklands negotiator. Alexander Haig, should take even greater pleasure showing off her Pissarro. Its title: "Old Mark's Field."

O The Royal Society of Health is to stage a conference called "Contra-ception Today" in Baden-Powell linuse, the scouting movement's HQ. on April 18. Wholly appropriate, given the old motto.

#### Pot and kettle

Inspired. I suspect, by the Oman affair, Peter Preston. The Guardian's editor, is now proposing to set up a register of his journalist's interests, documenting their contracts and outside directorships. His plan, which he hopes to write into the house agreement, had been rejected yesterday by the paper's union branch on the finer details of access to the register. "It is a very low level and quiet thing", said Preston, "No story, No big deal," Indeed,

#### The Raj rages on

With only one more episode of Jewel in the Crown to run. British Paj addicts will be alarmed by the threat that now hangs over yet another Indian epic – The Bengal Luncers. The director Stephen Weeks is incensed with the film's backer. Mahmoud Sipra, who recalled three of the cast, Michael York, Trevor Howard and Miles Offices from only two weeks on O'Recfe, from only two weeks on Incation in India, because, alleges Sipra, of faulty film footage, Weeks denies the charge, insisting the film is near perfection. Yesterday he swore never to work with Sipra again, Indeed, he has found a new hacker, whom he refused to name. and plans to return to India to finish filming after the monsoons. Sipra. who has already spent \$2.5m on the project has other ideas. "Weeks can shout from the top of the Empire State Building that he intends to continue, but the only way that will happen is if he writes a cheque and buys me out."



#### Full circle

Neil Kinnock certainly has an eve for a dramatic opening. The 7:84 theatre company, of which he is a director, is to stage the debut of its trade union-linanced play about the Tolpuddle martyrs, The Six Men of Derset, in Cheltenham, Curiously, the original 1934 version of the production was commissioned by the TUC after intense pressure by the Cheltenham branch of the Transport and General Workers'

#### Second course

Ninety sin-starved women undergoing a "slimmer's fantasy" week at Inglewood Health Hydro, Berkshire, will be treated to a prize draw on Iriday, hosted by Diana Dors, The second prize? You guessed it. Another week at Inglewood.

#### Hazard in SW11

As architects prepare to present 11 schemes for the Battersea Power Station at the local Arts Centre next Wednesday, Cedric Price, who designed the London Zoo aviary with Lord Snowdon, tells me of his brainchild. Since it costs £16m alone to prop up the station's walls, he believes the whole building should be demolished, leaving only the four chimneys and the overhead masonry which have to be seen as a "natural hazard". Battersea residents have different ideas; some see their power station as an aircraft hangar, and others a Roman Catholic church. .

# South Africa: closer but not quite

Has South African sport changed enough to justify ending its international ostracism and sending out a rugby touring team this summer? That should be the question at the top of the agenda for Friday's meeting of England's rugby officials - not whether changes have occurred. Clearly, there is now a degree of mixed sport which would not have been tolerated in 1969-70 when an allwhite rugby tour of Britain was placed under siege by demonstrators.

However, as Tommy Bedford, the vice-captain of that Springbok side, has since argued, the opportunities recently opened up for black players would not have come without the protests and boycotts. Along with South Africa's heart transplant professor, Christiaan Barnard, and even its white rugby supremo. Dr Danie Craven, Tommy Bedford has publicly conceded that the changes are the direct result of the South African authorities being brought hard up against the reality of isolation.

Previous decades of building bridges had only seen the position of black sport deteriorate as the net of apartheid was tightened ever more closely around the country's sport. But what have these changes added up to? Some black sports organizations have been allowed to affiliate to the dominant white bodies, which in the past have enjoyed exclusive international links. For instance, the black South African Rugby Association and the coloured (mixed race) South African Rugby Federation are now affiliated to Danie Craven's white South African Rugby Board (SARB).

Typically, however, these two non-white bodies are outnumbered on SARB's governing council by 22 white provincial affiliates. Morcover, the genuinely non-racial South

Peter Hain argues for the postponement of the England tour planned for this summer

African Rugby Union, with by far the largest number of black players, refuses to participate in this pale reflection of apartheid, pointing out that a few "Uncle Toms" in mainly white teams have not altered the essentially racist nature of South African rugby. Indeed progress in rugby has lagged well behind other sports, such as

cricket and soccer. Clubs in all sports are still overwhelmingly segregated. Facilities for whites far surpass those for blacks. School sports remain rigidly separate, with the government insisting that even the minimal concessions given to adults will not apply to

About 1 per cent of the country's sport has been integrated. Apartheid laws still govern the smallest details of sporting life. The notorious "pass laws" restrict blacks from travelling freely to away matches. or tournaments outside their home area. Black sports administrators, like cricket's Hassan Howa, are denied passports to travel to Britain to put their case. Legislation determines whether competitors can play on grounds in areas designated for other races (so that one white rugby star, "Cheeky" Watson, has been arrested for trying to play in a black township outside Port Elizabeth). Despite some legal changes allowing "bona fide" (ie, government-approved) sports activity to circumvent racial laws, South Africa remains internationally unique in having its sport so closely controlled by a

political system which enforces discrimi-

So what should be done? When Danie Craven paid me a private visit in 1977, our mutual preconceptions of each other as bogy figures melted away in constructive dis-cussion on ways to resolve South Africa's sports impasse. We agreed that his government must be persuaded to introduce legislation which would exempt sport from all apartheid's restrictions, and make it illegal to have racially exclusive clubs and segregated school sport.

Seven years later, the politicians in charge have still not done that, and they will not do so unless pressure is maintained. Release it through a visit such as the English rugby tour, and they will feel no incentive to make the massive changes still needed.

If English rugby honestly and sincerely has the interests of South African rugby at heart - rather than merely a selfish desire to enjoy the fruits of its lavish white hospitality - then its leaders will postpone the planned tour; not cancel it, but postpone it until such time as the government wholeheartedly embraces the spirit of non-racial sport.

Such a decision could actually strengthen the hands of those white sports officials such as Danie Craven who want more changes. And the next item on their agenda should be an invitation to Mr Ebrahim Patel, general secretary of the non-racial South African Rugby Union. to visit England. Despite being the leader of black rugby, his views have so far not been heard.

The author is Vice-chairman of The Labour Coordinating Committee. In 1969-70 he was leader of the Stop The Seventies Tour campaign against South African sporting

#### Clifford Longley looks at the problem of senior Anglican appointments





Reluctant bishops? John Habgood, centre, in Bishopsthorpe Palace; David Jenkins and wife, top left; the Archbishop of Canterbury, bottom

left; Patrick Rodger, top right, and John Howe

The Church of England is apparently having increasing difficulty filling its top positions with the men it wants. It has become acceptable, with no loss of face or reprimand, for an archdeacon, dean, suffragan bishop or theology professor to decline an invitation to fill a vacant-Sec. and as a result some senior positions have been filled by the church's second - .

or third or fourth - choice. Cardinal Basil Hume, had he been an Anglican, would never have become Archbishop of Canterbury. When offered the top position in this country in his own church, the Archbishopric of Westminster, it took a personal interview with Pope Paul VI. and a direct order, to persuade him. Refusal would be "disobedience to Christ's command", the Pope told him. The ecclesiastical appointments office at 10 Downing Street does not use that

kind of language. Appointments to hishoprics in the Church of England are handled nowadays by the Crown Appointments Commission, which has a majority of elected and ex officio members representing the church's national interest; and a minority. changed for each appointment. representing the diocese. It sends two names to the Prime Minister, in order of preference. When it was set up in 1977 there were widespread fears that it would be open to lobbying and subject to leaks. mischievous and otherwise. In fact its security has been excellent, and only gradually is it filtering down to

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designed to be solved by people in

railway carriages with no diction-

aries to hand. The exception to this

is the Eliminator puzzle for the

Collins Dictionaries Times Cross-

word Championship (Puzzle No:

16,385 which appeared on March

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for all solvers, including the scholar

Solvers (whole or partial) who

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Aircraft gunnery; during the Second World War the BBC ran a programme called "Ack-Ack, Beer-

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Gen Browne of Abingdon was said

to hang his prisoners first and then try them, hence ABINGDON Law.

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vacancies have not been easy to fill. The commission itself answers all inquiries about its work with "No comment".

Nevertheless the long gap between the announcement that Dr John Habgood was moving from Durham to York and the announcement that Professor David Jenkins was being appointed to replace him - from July last year to March this year has given further weight to this impression. The Bishop of Durham has to live in Auckland Castle, said to have about 100 rooms and to be not the most attractive place for a hishop's wife to set up home, and it would hardly be surprising if some wives were reluctant to see their

husbands make such a move.
It is widely known that the present Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, turned down the offer of the Archbishopric of York when he was Bishop of St Alban's -one of three who declined it - and his recent biography by Mrs Margaret Duggan (Runcie, the Making of an Archbishop, Hodder and Stoughton) records that Mrs Runcie's "horror" of the palace in York was one of the reasons. In this

willing to adapt their lives entirely to their husband's careers, and this is undoubledly one of the factors making the Crown Appointment Commission's work more difficult. It is no longer uncommon for a churchman's wife to have a career of her own, which anchors her

So far there has been no firm evidence that the See of Durham was offered to anyone else: the Commission, the office at 10 hadwick - have declined more than one offer each.

One clerical wag - not to be believed - said the Chadwicks had taken to turning them down by printed postcard. But these fairly well-attested cases apart, there are persistent rumours of other individuals who have said no, or of other dioceses where the commission had to go down a shopping list. It would surprise no one if the commission now routinely prepared a list longer than the two names it is required to submit to the Prime Minister, to save the need for further meetings when refusals came in.

All this is not necessarily good for the church. It is not good that a promising suffragan bishop, say might think he can turn down the first diocese he is offered, in the hope that a vacancy more agreeable to him will turn up. It is not good that a genuincly humble churchman should feel it is a voluntary matter, that he is free to choose the path which modesty dictates, for such a man is likely to have spiritual qualities the church desperately

needs in its leadership. The Church of England should decide who it wants, and then put pressure on him. An arm-twisting session with the archbishop, coupled with a warning that no man who refused one offer could expect another, might persuade better men on to the bench, and might persuade reluctant wives that duty really was making an urgent call. The Church of England needs a Basil Hume or two: but in the present atmosphere it will not get one.

at tennis. 7 To be in DEBRETT's

#### Peerage, Baronetage, Knightage and Companionage is to be of an aristocratic or titled family. 8 Cromwell's nickname was Copper Nose or NOSEY, giving "yes on" when reversed, 9 Jack CADE, leader of the Kentish insurrection of 1450. whose popular name was Jack Amend-all (Brewer), 14 The ABE-LONIANS were a North African sect who lived in continence after marriage like "Righteous Abel" (Brewer), 16 R/ANS/ACKED, 18 HIGH HEELS and Low Heels, the

tropical plant such as the morning S/COWLS, 25 Motor cycles have

My congratulations to those who teased it out; and my sympathics to all those on the Clapham omnibus who didn't.

#### Jock Bruce-Gardyne

# Pay before patients? A nursing dilemma

Sir John Greenborough is a glutton for punishment. At the end of the 1970s he crowned a distinguished career in the oil industry with a notably successful two-year sunt as president of the Confederation of British Industry, Thereafter he could reasonably have looked forward to combining the chairmanship of one public company, and non-executive more time for the golf course, the

concert hall, and travel, But over the past few months those delights have had to take a back seat. For last autumn he was inveigled by the Prime Minister, with whom he shares a considerable mutu al admiration, into chairing the new Review Body for Nursing and Midwifery Staff set up after the long and acrimonious health service wrangle in 1982. Any day now he is due to deposit the conclusions of his first adjudication on the doorstep of

10 Downing Street.
The Confederation of Health Service Employees (Cohse) wants a flat-rate £40-a-week rise for all nurses and midwives, regardless of skills, experience and responsibility; while the Royal College of Nursing, representing the upper reaches of the profession, unsurprisingly opts for a good deal more than that for its own clientele. The Department of Health and Social Security, on the other hand - equally unsurprisingly, since this is the provision written into its pay cash limits this year - says 3 per cent is quite enough.

Judging by the noises of their leaders, the assorted health service unions would go quietly for some-thing around 10 per cent. The Prime Minister most certainly would not. Unfortunately, however, while the Government has retained the right to tell Sir John and his colleagues to get lost. Norman Fowler has made it clear that it would not like to do that: "We did not set up the review body in order to reject its findings." So Sir

John had better get it right.

If NHS precedent were anything to go by, that is about the last thing he could be expected to do. The mantle that has now fallen on his shoulders was previously worn by Lord Halsbury in 1974, and by Professor "Comparability" Clegg in 1979, Lord Halsbury and his team produced voluminous evidence of the availability of nursing and midwifery candidates of quality, and of the ability of the NHS to retain their services, when once recruited, at existing rates of pay; and then concluded that they should be paid a bumper increase to show how much we loved them. Professor Clegg's remit, of course, had nothing to do with the laws of supply and demand: his task was to "ask what the boys in the back-room will have, and tell them we're having the same". In fact

he didn't bother very much about the laws of arithmetic either, if they got in the way of a substantial sculement for his chents.

But precedent is not - at any rate should not be - very much to go by in this instance. For the Government made it crystal clear, when it finally conceded the principle of a review body to halt disruption in the hospitals 18 months ago, that it had in mind something quite different from what had gone before: a review body which would direct its mind to what was needed to recruit and retain the nurses and midwives of the quality the nation could afford and to hell with sentiment and keeping up with the Joneses. And it shaped the membership of this new body accordingly.

Even so, it still looks nip and tuck. The DHSS, it seems, has told-Sir John and friends that in its estimation existing pay levels broadly meet the criterion of recruitment and retention (why, if that be so, an increase of any kind is called for is not explained, but let that pass). "Pay or remuneration increases higher than 3 per cent would have to be financed at the expense of services to patients."

Given that suitable young ladies are queueing up for every nursing post in sight, a visitor from Mars might deem these arguments con-clusive. The trouble is that they do not exactly reflect what has hap-pened hitherto. When the good Professor Clegg was hauled out from Warwick University to rescue Jim Callaghan from the winter of discontent, the then Chief Secretary of the Treasury Leel Barnat, steerly of the Treasury, Joel Barnett, sternly warned that if he doubled the number he first thought of - as he was sure to do - then it would mean cuts in personnel and services; and that message was repeated fortissimo by Geoffrey Howe. Needless to say, Professor Clegg ignored it, and it

didn't happen. Over the ensuing four years the number of nurses and midwives on the payroll of the NHS went up by nearly 11 per cent (notwithstanding the fact that the ratio of nurses to beds already exceeded parity). So the health service unions might be forgiven for accusing the DHSS of

In this respect as well, one feels, things could be different this time round. So who would be Sir John? If he accepts the logic of the DHSS submission, he had better not succumb to acute appendicitis. But if instead he is swayed by the siren voices of Cohse and the Royal College of Nursing, not only will he whistle for invitations from No 10: he might find there was no bed available to treat his appendicitis

#### Phillip Whitehead

# Fanfare for the broken man

When I first saw him he was only 10, and wearing a blanket. The prison pallor already offset his shock of redbrown hair. There was a kind of desperate calm about him, far from home and "on the blanket". Nearly a decade later he is immured, under intolerable duress, in the old control unit in Wakefield prison. As he is being held under a total of 30 counts of life imprisonment, one for each of the amateurish letter bombs he posted out from his native Londonderry in 1973-4, there will be those who say that anything which happens to this young man is

justified. They need not read on. The case of Shane Paul O'Doherty will shortly be taken to the European Court of Human Rights. He is asking to be moved back to Northern Ireland, where his aged mother resides and where his offences were committed. He is unusual in that he does not dispute or seek to mitigate the gravity of those offences, which maimed one person and could have injured others; nor that loss of liberty for many years is the price exacted. All of his youth will have gone to pay it.

O'Doherty became involved with the IRA in Londonderry in the aftermath of Bloody Sunday. He was 18. He had seen friends shot. For youths of his age and background, the Provos could come out of the shadows, murmuring of the necessary murder.

His brother asked me to visit him in 1975, in the category A wing at Wormwood Scrubs. From that first encounter, with its edgy point-scoring and mutual incomprehension, has developed a friendship that I value, with a young man whose maturation was for some years quite remarkable. He thought deeply about violence and its consequences. He sought permission to contact all those whom he had tried to injure, to seek their forgiveness. And, to the dismay of other IRA men in Wormwood Scrubs and of those still pushing Armalites into the hands of a fresh generation back home, he renounced violence in an open letter to Bishop Daly, published in Londonderry. In that he said: "I was a hypocrite. In injuring human beings I did not cure injustices. I created new ones".

It was a brave stand by a young man who knows well enough the destructive power of those who have terror at their beck and call. He had already ended his prison protests. come "off the blanket", and become a moral force for good inside the

O'Doherty also underwent a profound religious experience. which may lead him to the Franciscans after his eventual release, and began to study. By the ate 1970s a number of members of Parliament with whom he had corresponded were asking the Home Crossword Editor | Office for better study facilities for Jrom 1976-83.

him, relaxation of Category A status, and some understanding about a transfer to Northern Ireland. Ministers were unhelpful. O'Doherty was suddenly moved to Gartree in 1980, where a more restrictive regime began to sour his hopes, and to Long Lartin in 1983.

Authority will point to the fact that he refused to work, in despair at this regression, at the end of 1981. and to his protests on behalf of other prisoners who were allegedly beaten up in Long Lartin, as evidence that he is incorrigible. In the last few months he has been in Winson Green, Bristol, and now Wakefield Lord Elton, under fire from Lords Hylton and Longford over the treatment of O'Doherty, told the former on March 2: "I was not convinced that he has broken his links with para-military organiza-tions, particularly since he was refusing to comply with prison rules". This masterly non sequitur gives away the Home Office case. He speaks out. He helps other prisoners. Ergo, he is a terrorist at heart. Last week Mr Douglas Hurd produced another variation on this theme in a Commons debate initiated by Andrew Bennett, MP.

It is true that O'Doherty has become embittered by these past five years. Not a glimmer of hope has ever been vouchsafed to him. His 68-year-old mother was appallingly treated at Long Lartin when she came over from Derry to visit him last year.

In Wakefield, O'Doherty is now being held under Rule 43, forbidden to speak to other prisoners or to attend the Catholic chapel. He is quite literally boxed in, as he enters his second decade of imprisonment. As we watch the Home Secretary glide down the long slipway of his self-esteem, we know he carries no doubts about the effect of 20-year sentences without hope of improvement. But what of his juniors? Douglas Hurd and Rodney Elton are honourable men. Do they ever wonder why so many people have become exercised O'Doherty case, and find him a remarkable human being, even when stubborn and obsessive as prison has made him?

Those of us who count Shane O'Doherty a friend are not apologists for terrorism, or for that autodestructive army of the night that deals in sadism, extortion, and sectarian slaughter. We know that, when Irishmen eventually sit down together to discuss, not territory and flags, but reconciliation of different national traditions. O'Doherty and those who have come through the fever of violence should be there-Instead, he may be broken and rebrutalized in Wakefield jail.

The author was secretary of the Parliamentary Human Rights Grown

# Hard-to-fill houses

geographically to one area.

Downing Street, and the individuals approached may be the only ones who know. But apart from that and from the case of York (which apparently was declined by Bishop John Howe, then chief executive of the Anelican Communion, as well as the then Bishop of Manchester, the Rt Rev Patrick Roger) it appears that more recent appointments to Worcester and to Newcastle were certainly offered to others before the present incumbent accepted. Also it is generally believed that the two Chadwick brothers - Sir Owen Chadwick and Professor Henry

For the setebos who left it nocturn

mother of Caliban in The Tempest. 12 RADIOMETER, anagram, of READ, TIME OR. 13 The "Day girl" is Fancy Day in Hardy's Under Greenwood Tree, who married Dick DEWY, who was a tranter, or carrier. 15 INDITER, one who writes or composes, sounds like indicter, or accuser, 17 A M(abbreviation for a cricket maiden) BATCH (loaves produced at one baking) = AMBATCH, a tropical African tree. 19 Nocturne in Black and Gold" is the samous painting by Whistler (which Ruskin called "Flinging a pot of paint in the public's face); "unfinished" = NOCTURN, part of the office of Matins. 21 V (Roman five) in HALING (= drawing) gives HALV-ING, which makes two (out of one).
23 CALX, old word for quick-time; is the goal line (at football) in Eton slang (Shorter Oxford Dictionary), 24 The MACKINTOSH was invented by Charles Macintosh, a chemist: "getting a K" is a common PHS trees. 11 SETEBOS, anagram of SO expression for the award of a BESET, was the god of Sycorax, knighthood. 27 WEMMICK, Mr

Jagger's clerk in Great Expectations, had an Aged Parent. 28 Genetic system, or CODE, with young growth or LAD, in it = CLADODE, the botanical word for a flattened leaf-like stem. 29 "put aright perhaps" indicates a (right-hand) SIDE, hence SET ASIDE, 30 SAY (for instance) in an SS (ship) = ASSAYS, or tests.

Down: 1 ACCORD/IO/N. agreement on Io. the Greek maiden, plus abbreviation for name, 2 A KATY-DID is an American grasshopper: What Katy Did the title of a novel by Susan Coolidge, 3 COLPOR-TEUR is a "book pedlar, esp. employed by a society to distribute Bibles (COD), and sounds like Cole Porter the song writer, except that "Col" is pronounced with a short "o". 5 A Shem (eldest son of Noah) in Bath (in the county of Avon); BASHEMATH was one of the

wives (Genesis 26:34) of Esau, "a

cunning hunter". 6 NETT means

clear of all charges, and sounds the

same as net, another name for a let

names of two factions in Swift's tale of Lilliput, satirizing the High and Low Church parties. 20 "Gitche Manito, the mighty/ Smoked the CALUMET, the Peace Pipe/ As a signal to the nations": Longfellow, Hiawatha, i. 22 IPOMOEA, a glory or sweet potato; anagram of A/O(love)/POEM/I(one)

KICK starters. 26 Bartholomeu DIAS (or Diaz), fifteenth century Portuguese navigator, and beginning of the word Diaspora.

John Grant

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Public spending

From Professor K. G. Denbigh, FRS ....

Sir, In two successive leaders (March 23 and 24) as well as in

many earlier ones you have called for a reduction in public expendi-

ture. You have also asked for a "lively public debate" and you say

that your own "central philosophical conviction" is that the citizen "is the

best judge ... of how and where to

spend his money".

I agree, but this does not exclude

the possibility that some citizens

may wish to spend some part of

benefits rather than on privately

purchased commodities. This option

seems to be strangely overlooked in

your own thinking on the matter,
A "lively public debate" implies

many voices. Let me then speak for

myself, as you have done for yourself. I am quite happy that I

my income as taxes and rates if these contributions will help me to obtain

a fine environment in which to live.

including litter-free streets, well-

tended parks and a countryside free from haphazard development; and if

they will also give me an efficient

and inexpensive system of public

transport reducing the nuisance of cars in the cities; and again if they

will provide well-stocked public libraries, good museums, art gal-leries and theatres,

health service, together with the

satisfaction of knowing that others,

too, can enjoy such a service and have protection against the damage

done by poverty or unemployment.

And, of course, I look for the existence of a BBC and of a system of public education, of which one

All these things are my "needs"

and for them I am pleased to make

the necessary payment. Obviously enough they cannot be provided by

individuals acting on their own -

only by public institutions charged

with the duties and requiring contributions in the form of taxes or

rates. No doubt the good things I

have listed are the products of "the

state", of the "collectivist and

corporatist apparatus", the "bureau-

crais", against which and whom you

inveigh so weightily. Nevertheless those are the things I ask for, quite

as much as for ever more commodi-

ties. Does your "central philosophi-

cal conviction" not take any account

of them?

Yours faithfully.

Flint Walls.

KENNETH DENBIGH.

19 Sheridan Road, SW19. March 25.

From Mr Nigel West

Churchill's hideaway

Sir. There has been speculation

concerning the exact location of

Churchill's secret wartime bunker,

code-named Paddock, since the

publication of his intriguing but brief reference to it in The Second

World War, vol 11. Your report on

Churchill's use of the Railway Executive's headquarters under Down Street. Mayfair (March 19)

suggests that Paddock's exact lo-

cation remains undiscovered and that it is believed to have been sited

in a disused Tube station in north

In fact a Cabinet file now stored

in the Public Record Office, Kew, under the title "CWR/2" (Cabinet

War Room/2) tells a different story.

Paddock was specially constructed in the summer of 1940 in the

grounds of the Post Office Research

The part of Paddock that is on the

surface is a windowless concrete structure and is clearly visible from

Brook Road, outside the old Post

Office premises. The building

extends deep underground, fully justifying Churchill's comment that it was "far from the light of day"

and contains some of its original

equipment, including its emergency

meeting of the War Cabinet at Paddock on September 29, 1940, and "celebrated the occasion with a

Churchill recalled attending a

CWR/2's unusual code name may be explained by the street sign directly opposite Paddock's gates:

Station at Dollis Hill.

can continue to be proud.

Beyond that I look for an effective

hould pay an appreciable portion of

money on publicly provided

and the citizen



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#### THE CHAOS CLEARS

Sunday's elections in El Salvador certainly produced scenes of confusion and frustration, scenes that were largely absent from the Constituent Assembly elections of 1982. Inadequate or contradictory directions, lack of ballot papers, the familiar failures of the computer - complications of the system rather than the ignorance of the voters - seemed to account for much of this in the areas where people voted. Voting took place in well over 200 of the Republic's 260 municipalities, and it is estimated that something over half of the 2.5 million electorate voted. Voting is obligatory, and though the formal sanctions are small this influences the size of the vote in areas the government control. The elections did not take place everywhere in that atmosphere of "Free and secure expression of opinion" that Dr Kissinger's report sees as a prerequisite of peace.

Yet these elections are not meaningless. Though there has not so far been an official announcement of figures our observer Sir James Swaffield was probably right to declare "There will be a result, about which one must have some qualifications", and to make the point that confusion does not necessarily mean corruption; indeed, it may even be caused by computerised ciloris to prevent corruption. Unofficial estimates, compiled hy the Christian Democrats but confirmed by other sources and not yet seriously challenged by their opponents, give their candidate José Napoleon Duarte cent and 48 per cent of the vote. Major Roberto D'Abuisson of the far-right ARENA around 29 per cent, and Francisco José Guerrero of the conservative National Concilliation Party

some 17 per cent. This at least gives an indication of the support enjoyed by these politically distinct elements in elections that, in the words of our correspondent, offered 2. "limited but clear choice". Senor Duarte appears to have done some five per cent better than his party did in 1982, the other two candidates holding their party vote. This runs counter to the widespread notion of the irresistible rise of Major D'Abuisson, and has important implications. Under the Salvadorean system, the choice of President must now be determined by a run-off within 40 days between the two leading contenders. It is by no means clear that Senor Duarte will lose the second round,

Nor are all groups in the FMLN-FDR opposition indifferent to the possibilities that his victory would open. Ruben Zamora, Secretary of the Front's Political and Diplomatic Commission, recently gave it as his personal guess that a D'Abuisson win would produce a coup backed by the United States, but that a coup against Duarte would be frustrated. Duarte's proposals for future negotiations with the FMNL-FDR are not impossibly distant from the FMNL-FDR's own proposals. Dr Kissinger's report strongly urges negotiabeen worth the effort if such a convergence of views is brought

Will that happen? The second electoral round is not predictable, nor are reactions to it. The potential for increased violence is obvious. Most Salvadorean politicians, right across the spectrum, have so little patience negotiation and small talents for compromise or collaboration. From General Martinez, who bloodily supressed the "Communists" in 1932, to Major D'Abuisson today, the Salvadorean right has fed on anti-Communist rhetoric that would sound strident even to General Pinochet, Such simplifications, and similar simplifications in Washington, produce opposite simplifications on the left, and the cycle of violence confirms each side's beliefs about the other. To break this cycle it will require not only a political shift but a complex system of tangible guarantees for those who are prepared to stop fighting. How can such a system be installed in El Salvador? If he wins the next round, Senor Duarte must still govern for a year with the existing Constituent. Assembly, Can he form and hold together a credible coalition?

It has been too common place to say that these elections by themselves will not solve anything. They are not yet over, and the civil war goes on. But they might produce a result that brought a negotiated settlement nearer and such a settlement would benefit not only El tions after these elections are Salvador. So they are elections somewhere between 44.5 per over. They will certainly have worth watching.

#### AN AFRICAN TRAGEDY

President Ahmed Sekou Touré of Guinea, whose death was announced yesterday, was a tragic figure in the full sense of that term. His life could be the subject of a classic Shakespearian tragedy with its familiar theme: the hero fatally corrupted by absolute power. A dramatist would perhaps have had him die under the assassin's rather than the surgeon's knile, and would have written in a larger female rule. Otherwise, the story has drama, pathos and sheer horror enough for the most jaded audience.

. . .

For Sekou Touré was a hero. In 1958, when he led Guinea to independence, he enjoyed the passionate and almost unanimous admiration of his people. He was a brilliant organizer and shrewd politician who knew when to be tough and when to compromise. Largely selfeducated, and learning quickly from French trade unionists, he never saw eye to eye with the radical, Paris-based African intelligentsia. They criticised him sharply for cooperating with French governments and accepting office under the "Loi-Cadre" brought in in 1956 by M Gaston Mollet government, now President Mitterrand's minister of the Interior), which gave only limited autonomy to the Black economic resources, lacked the

ground, from which they could aid (one consignment of which then push for full independence. "Nous avons fait l'économie d'une guerre," (we have saved ourselves a war), he remarked, comparing Guinea's experience with what the Algerians were then going through.

His finest hour came in September 1958 when, alone of France's Black African terri- now thought to be living in exile. lones, Guinea voted No in the Seventeen cabinet ministers referendum on de Gaulle's have been executed or have constitution, thereby opting for died in prison (Diallo Telli; immediate independence and the widely-respected former rejecting the half-way house of membership of the "French Community". "Guinea prefers poverty in freedom to wealth in slavery", declared Sekou Touré somewhat histrionically, and de Gaulle took bim at his word. The French administration pulled out of Guinea within days, taking with it whatever French government property it could remove - even the telephones and de Gaulle refused even to discuss the possibility of French aid to the newly independent state.

Toure was the hero of all Africa, and became the close ally of Kwame Nkrumah, who chose from ensuring that the people benefited from their country's rightly saw that this gave African all the initiative to develop and nationalists a chance to establish market those resources. He soon a power-base on their own lost any illusions about Soviet Guinean people.

allegedly contained a snowplough), but not until the last years of his life did he reconcile himself to encouraging Western capitalist investment. Meanwhile he had become obsessed with the fear of plots against himinside and outside the country. Some one million Guineans are secretary-general of the Organization of African Unity, was one of those deliberately starved to death), and another eighteen sentenced to life imprisonment.

It does not say much for the

prevailing political mores in the world that, in spite of all this, Sekou Touré had latterly come to be regarded both in the OAU and in the Islamic Conference Organization as a great "moderate" and even something of a statesman. He played an important role in securing Egypt's readmission to the Islamic Conference this February, and was expecting to host an OAU Guinea as his place of exile after summit in Conakry early in the Defferre (then Minister of his fall in 1966. But, like summer. He had mediated "Overseas France" in the Guy Nkrumah, Touré found that a unsuccessfully in the Iran-Iraq state-controlled economy, so far war and was latterly trying his hand at mediation in the Western Sahara dispute which threatened to make the OAU African territories. But Touré capital, the expertise, and above summit untenable. He will be sorely missed, as they say - but not, one suspects, by many of the

#### TESTING THE TESTER

desired that there should be a cheap, easy and reliable means of securing the evidence necessary to convict drivers who endanger their own lives and those of others by taking to the road when they are drunk. The sharp decline in drunken driving arrests over Christmas showed how readily motorists respond to indications that they are less likely to get away with it than before: it falls into the category of lariff-responsive crimes. At Christmas the Home Office thought (or protested very insistently that it thought) that a cheap, easy and reliable means of securing convictions had at last been put into the hands of the police. Now it seems less sure of

. that. Publicity works both ways. and one consequence of this damaging episode may well be that some drivers calculate that they might get away with it after all. The evidence indicates that it is spring, not Christmas, when still to be imposed on the drivers killed on the road are most likely to have been drunk. and many tragedies may result in the coming weeks. The police will have to exercise control as best they can, although the old evidential techniques which all suspects will now have the right swollen by vexatious and frivolto demand take up much more ous claims. No-one would wish done and seen to be done as well.

reduction in time spent on patrol. But it is equally necessary to avoid further undermining the public's legitimate expectation that the law should be applied fairly.

It will not be easy to make things look fair, within the programme outlined by the Government this week. There will eventually be at least four categories of drivers banned from the road after being tested on the Lion Intoximeter. There will be those arrested before there were publicly-admitted doubts about the reliability of the machine; those arrested between now and April 16, when Mr Hurd's new safeguards come in; and those arrested afterwards who either fail or fail to ask for the confirmatory tests of blood or urine. If it is fair to give the latter that option, it must look unfair to uphold the penalties imposed without an option on the first category, let alone those

The delay in introducing the safeguards is said to be administratively unavoidable, because police surgeons will be needed in sufficient numbers to meet a demand which will no doubt be

It is a thing very much to be police time - with a consequent to see the next three weekends go by with no effective drink-driving test at all: the Home Office has simply got itself into an impossible situation. The only palliative will be for the courts, after the period is over, to give the promptest and most attentive hearing possible to appeals.

> The official case is that there is still no reason to believe the machine generally unreliable. Anybody with evidence of a malfunction at any time may appeal. In practice the evidence will be difficult to secure, and the process of going back to court is a daunting one. Eventually the machine may recover its repu-tation in spite of the disturbing evidence uncovered by the Daily Express: one must hope so. In the meantime there are urgent questions to be answered about how the Government allowed itself to adopt a system after what is now seen to be inad-equate testing. There are signs of a widespread self-righteous blind faith by the authorities in their new toy, even when it began behaving oddly. The outcome is a grave blow to public respect for the law. The fight against drunken driving is a good cause, one of the best. But a good cause is not enough: justice must be

retain copies does not seem to have been questioned.

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Tisdall case.
The Government proceedings for argued against us under the Official Secrets Act. In fact, he argued the laws of property and copyright.

time ("Caveat talpa", December 17) you pointed out that we did not know our informant, nor whether return of the document would trace the leaker. No explicit or implicit

You therefore concluded that we should have returned the document more promptly, without prolonged

It was over three weeks before Miss Tisdall - our unknown informant - confessed to spare the other 10, people in her office further distress. She was then charged - as we had not been charged - under the

that was specifically not done because the Crown in our own civil proceedings had repeatedly admitted that, in publishing the document, we had not acted against the "public interest" and thus it would be hard to argue, against Miss Tisdall and The Guardian together, that the public interest had been harmed.

Secrets Act.

From Mr Denis Christian

Sir, In your leader, "Miss Tisdall's case" (March 26), you say that a document of the sort in question would probably have remained within a 'secret' classification of some sort." This is imprecise and we may have seen, here, a case of overclassification for political purposes. In sentencing Miss Tisdall, Mr

Justice Cantley observed, "... any person entrusted with any material classified as secret (my italics).... shall not escape a custodial sen-tence. However, prior to this, on December 15, when The Guardian appear was heard. Six John Dodald-son, said that the published docu-ment contained no information which would be of use to enemies of this country.

Given our knowledge of the broad of a paper ought to fit before meriting a particular classification and with due weight to Sir John's opinion, was the document overclassified? If so, Miss Tisdail went to prison for a technical offence against the security of the country, when in fact her offence was the breaking of a confidence of a matter deserving a lower security guard.

More broadly, any consistent usage of over-classification for political purposes means that, increasingly, decision-making is in the bands of the few, based on the "need to know" maxim. Perhaps decent politicians of all parties will turn their attention to this. Yours faithfully,

DENIS CHRISTIAN. 9 High Beach, March 26.

#### Politics of tobacco

From Lord Ennals

Sir. In a piece about the tobacco lobby by Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent (March 20), a spokesman for the Freedom Organisation for the Right to Enjoy Smoking Tobacco is quoted as saying that the personal views about smoking and legislation of Sir George Young, MP, who used to be Parliamentary Under Secretary for Health, did not reflect Government policy at the time.

. This is outrageous: whatever Sir George Young's personal views about smoking - and so far as I am aware, they were exemplary for anyone holding office in the Department of Health - what really mattered were his actions as minister. These had the full and active support of his Secretary of State, the Right Hon Patrick Jenkin, MP, who incidentally was moved from the Department of Health in the same reshuffle as Sir George.

In reporting the quote, your Correspondent should have mentioned that this "freedom organization" is sponsored by the tobacco manufacturers. Yours faithfully, ENNALS.

House of Lords. March 22

#### VAT on buildings From Mr C. Wickenden

Sir, In his Budget speech the Chancellor said that he had chosen June 1, 1984, as the starting date for the changes in VAT on building alteration work so as to allow sufficient time for current contracts to be completed.

Would it not have been fairer to allow contracts agreed prior to March 13 to remain zero-rated? Twoand a half months might be a long time in politics, but that is not the case in the construction industry. Yours faithfully, C. WICKENDEN.

Wood Sorrel, Cokes Lane, Chalfont St Giles, Buckinghamshire. March 22

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Miss Tisdall, official secrecy and the public interest

Yours faithfully,

Sway Lodge,

Sway, Lymington,

March 26.

them or not.

what she deserved. Yours faithfully.

E. L. SMITH.

Cherisey.

Surrey. March 26.

I St Ann's Close,

A. D. TORLESSE,

From Miss E. L. Smith

Sir, It has not failed to escape my

notice that since Sarah Tisdall was sentenced at the Old Bailey there has

been an outery by the "do-gooders" to defend her and criticise the

sentence passed on her. She was at

the beginning of her diplomatic

career and as such was not paid to decide what the public should know,

"Hers was not the right to reaso

why - hers was to do or die". She

obviously was not aware of the code

connected with the Civil Service -

you are there to serve the Govern-ment of the day, whether you like

She has abused the privilege of working at the Foreign Office - yes,

it is a privilege to work there - and the trust that was placed in her.

leaks and a stand must be made

sooner or later. In my book she got

There have been far too many

From the Editor of The Guardian Sir. Can I offer some clarifications which may assist correspondents like Mrs Brigid Smithers (March 27) in their reflections on the Sarah

the return of the cruise document against The Guardian newspaper last December were civil ones. The Treasury Solicitor could have

At the end of those proceedings we, as a company, were faced with escalating fines for contempt of court if we did not comply.

In a sympathetic editorial at that

contract exists, and it is almost quixotic to act as if it did".

legal resistance,

Official Secrets Act It was open to the Attorney General to charge us both then, but

I find that distressingly hypocritical; and a pungent comment on the ramshackle state of the Official

Yours faithfully. PETER PRESTON, Editor. The Guardian, 119 Farringdon Road, EC1. March 27

Sir. Having suffered the hand-wringing sentimentality of last Saturday's Guardian, to which the BBC gave

main-story prominence in its morning news broadcasts, and the sanctimonious claptrap of yester-day's Sunday Times, your leading article this morning (March 26) has done much to restore my confidence in British Journalism. However, should you not have

From Brigadier P. K. Goozee

made the further point that the Editor of The Guardian, when he first received the two documents, ought at once to have returned them to their rightful owner? What else should one do as the receiver of property, obviously stolen and obviously valuable, on which the identity of the owner is plain to see? I trust I am right in believing that this is what you would have done, otherwise I may feel obliged to give

up British newspapers entirely - and where alse could I then turn, for journalistic integrity? Yours faithfully (and, I trust, continuing so).
P. K. GOOZEE.

Middleton Stoney; Bicester, Oxfordshire, March 26.

From Mr Colin McGrady Sir, Having recently spent eight days in HM Prison, Pentonville, as a consequence of an act of conscience against the nuclear arms race, I must take issue with your leader ("Miss Tisdall's case") today that "even a few nights in prison would... have been sufficiently horrifying to act as a deterrent against any temptation to act in a similar way.

I do fully agree that even a very short time in prison is a horrible experience and the prospect of

Sir, We have been associated with

the Arts Council's Drama Advisory

Panel, as its chairman or as drama

directors, virtually throughout the existence of the English Stage

Company at the Royal Court

Theatre. During these years panel members have included many eager

rivals for such money as may have

been available; but at all times the panel, rivals included, has recog-

nised the ESC's enlivening contri-

bution of new work to theatre throughout Britain and to the high

standing of British drama world-wide. The Royal Court has, since

1955, always been considered a national theatre for new writing.

Nor is there any credible sugges-

tion that the ESC's standards are unacceptably in decline. Quite the

several months in Holloway must be a truly ghastly one for Miss Tisdall. Moreover, the length of her sentence From Rear-Admiral A. D. Tarlesse Sir. The propriety of delegating to a junior and inexperienced clerk the is indeed totally out of proportion to handling of secret and highly sensitive documents under con-ditions in which she was able to However, it cannot be stressed

strongly enough that there can never be an effective deterrent against a genuine act of conscience Such work should surely have amount of punishment should be been entrusted to a more senior and able to deter a person from acting according to his/her highest prinreliable person and closely supervised. But perhaps it is idle to look for elementary common sense in the Foreign Office.

If one's conscience dictates the following of a particular course and if that course leads to breaking the law of the land (whether under a tyranny or in a democracy) one must be prepared to accept whatever punishment is finally imposed. however severe, with grace and

dignity.
To her great credit, Miss Tisdall herself appears to have accepted hers thus and one can only wish her well during those interminable days of confinement Yours faithfully COLIN McGRADY,

Green Lodge, 58 Sheffield Terrace, W8.

March 26.

From Mr S. E. Scammell Sir, Clearly it was necessary to send Miss Tisdall to prison in order to discourage a steady procession of secret documents from Whitehall to Fleet Street, But many people will surely consider that she should be joined there by the Editor of The Guardian who was an accessory after the crime and took an advantage from it.

Yours faithfully, S. E. SCAMMELL. East Knoyle, Salisbury. Willshire. March 26.

From Mr Eric Phillips

Sir, In recent years individual ministers and senior members of the defence Forces have from time to time been suspected of themselves leaking information on secret or confidential proposals going before Cabinet, the purpose being to stir up public or party opinion for or against the proposals, according to the leaker's own view of what the public interest requires.

I hope we can assume that whenever such a case occurs in future Scotland Yard will be called in and the Attorney General, should the evidence be sufficient, will arrange for the leaker to be tried at the Old Bailey. As for the sentence of the court, I suggest that, measured on the Tisdall scale, it should be imprisonment for at least five years. Yours faithfully, **ERIC PHILLIPS** 

46 Platts Lane, NW3.

From Mr Philip Hawkins

Sir, It is sad to see the refined terminology of espionage invented by John Le Carré being degraded in the media and elsewhere (as in the headline to your Crime Reporter's contribution on page two of The Times, March 24).

In chapter 8 of Tinker. Tailor. Soldier. Spy a mole is defined as "a deep penetration agent, so called because he burrows deep. ... Moles are very precious... because of the many years it takes to place

Miss Tisdall was no mole. Could not those who betray the trust placed in them by leaking to more ment secrets to the public be more aptly described as "squeakers"? Yours faithfully. PHILIP HAWKINS.

25 Upland Park Road. Oxford. March 25.

contrary, even in terms of attend-

Royal Court's future From Sir Hugh Willatt and others

> There can be no doubt that the current drama panel, and the drama department, if adequately consulted, would totally confirm confidence in the ESC and its future, now threatened.

> wish to treat any of its advisory panels, or its own departmental officers, with the contempt which a decision to cripple the English Stage Company would unmistakably signal. We are, Sir, yours etc, HUGH WILLATT, JOHN FAULKNER, RICHARD HOGGART, J. W. LAMBERT, J. L. HODGKINSON,

N. V. LINKLATER. 4 St Peter's Wharf, Hammersmith Terrace. W8. proper policy of devolvement from

ROBERT BALFOUR of

Levels of education

From Mr B. W. Grantham-Hill

Sir. Have the noble minds of Lord

Sir, Have the noble minds of Lord Flowers (March 8) and Mr Roy Avery (March 19) considered what happens when a boys' grammar school rejects "ambitious general studies programmes" while the nearby girls' grammar school embraces them heartily?

A little investigation will reveal that we have here a wonderful tool

that we have here a wonderful tool

to reduce the success of A-level students, by diverting their mental energies from their "three subjects":

what a boon to administrators wishing to curtail the numbers of

university entrants: nothing is too

subtle in education today!

B. W. GRANTHAM-HILL.

Yours very sincerely,

9 Courtland Road.

Shiphay,

Torquay,

March 19:

105 Piccadilly.

BURLEIGH, Brucefield,

Clackmannan.

March 23.

Yours sincerely,

#### Books at risk

From Lord Balfour of Burleigh Sir, It is clear that the work of the Arts Council's literature department no longer commands public confi-dence. Nevertheless, the step which the council is reported to be considering - i.e., the termination of its support for literature and, in particular, the total withdrawal of its grant to the National Book League seems to me to be wrong.

The NBL has a powerful and imaginative council, a director who is widely held in high regard and a core of knowledge and expertise which is instantly available throughout the whole country to those whose job it is to bring about a greater knowledge and understanding of literature and books in general. It plays a great part in fostering the interest of young people in books and literature. My hope is that the Arts Council will recognise the enormous benefit of these services, which the NBL have been developing for nearly 60 ation of the extremely small grant. Indeed, if they were to increase it only slightly and entrust the NBL with the support of other literary activities' they would then have made a useful step in their right and

ances and subsidy per seat, let alone the evident quality of its recent

Council members will surely not

#### McLaren

generator.

vivacious lunch".

Yours sincerely,

NIGEL WEST.

"Paddock Road, NW2."

310 Fulham Road, SW10.

Informed consent?

Sir, The other day, landing at Heathrow, the pilot told us that although they were watching like hawks the plane had been landed by electronics.
I am glad to say that before this he did not ask for a show of consenting

From Professor Emeritus H. C.

about The difference between this kind of experiment and "medical" con-

sent discussed by the expert medical team (letter, March 19) is that the medical director is not always up front like our cheerful BA pilot! Yours sincerely, HUGH CAMERON McLAREN. 26 Ampton Road,

#### Birmingham. March 19. Cooling-off time

From Dr E. D. Deas Sir. So Mr Dormer (March 23) thinks that an object cannot of its own accord become cooler than its surroundings. Perhaps he would be good enough to bring this to the attention of my wife's feet, which persist in achieving this scientific impossibility. Yours faithfully,

E. D. DEAS, Rehwi Farm, Wrexham, Clwyd. March 23.



# COURT AND SOCIAL

#### COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE March: 27; By command of The Ocean, the Lord Somerleyton (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport - London this afternoon upon the arrival of The President of the State of Israel and Mrs Herzog and welcomed Their Excellencies on behalf of Her

Queen was represented by the Lord Somerleyton (Lord in Waiting) at the Memorial Service for Viscount Macmillan of Oven-den. MP (a former Cabinet Minister) which was held in St Margaret's, Westminster today. The Princess Anne. Mrs Mark Phillips and Captain Mark Phillips were represented by Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Miller at the Memorial Service for Mr Martin Whiteley which was held in Eton College Chapel today.

CLARENCE HOUSE March 27: Lady Angela Oswald has succeeded Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen

KENSINGTON PALACE March 27: The Princess of Wales, Patron, the Welsh National Opera, this morning opened and toured the new Rehearsal Studios, John Street, Cardiff. Her Royal Highness, attended by

Latest appointments Latest appointments include:

Mr James Leonard Curle, managing director of the Civil Aviation Authority, and Mr Authors Purssell, regional director (South Midlands) of Lloyda Bank, 10 be Members of the Civil Aviation Authority.

**Marriages** Mr D. M. Brock and Miss P. J. Carroll

The marriage took place in Oxford. on Saturday, March 24, between Mr David Brock and Miss Patricia Carroll. The bridesmaid was Miss Isabel Davidson and Mr Andrew Penny was best man. Mr W. R. Griffiths

and NIs A. M. Little The service of blessing after the marriage of Mr W. Robert Griffiths and Ms Angela May Little took place quietly in Hampstead, on Saturday, March 10.

#### Forthcoming marriages

Mr A. G. I. de la Roe and Miss T. D. Dobson

The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Sir Eric de la Rue. Bt. of Caldra House. Berwickshire, and the late Lady de la Rue, and Tessa, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Dobson, of Straggiethorge Grange, Lincoln,

Mr W. S. Dawson and Miss A. J. Aldridge

The engagement is announced between William Strachan, son of Mr and Mrs J. O. H. Dawson, of the Old Manse, Great Bavington, Northumberland and Alison Jill, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. E. Aldridge, of Bentley Wood, Mr M. Dixon

and Miss J. Larner The engagement is announced

between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs J. Dixon, of Tiptree, and Joanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Larner, of Kelvedon, Essex. Mr C. R. Floyd and Miss A. Micheal

The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Alexander Floyd, of Warminster, Wiltshire, and Angela, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Gregory Micheal, of Sanderstead, Surrey.

Mr R. J. A. Huxter and Miss J. M. Robson

The engagement is announced between Rupert, elder son of Mr and Mrs N. E. W. Huxter, of Boar's Hill, Oxford, and Julia, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Robson, of Newark,

**Dinners** International Maritime Industries

A dinner of the International Maritime Industries Forum was held at Grosvenor House last night. Mr James Davis, chairman, presided. and the principal guest and speaker was Mr David Mitchell. Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State. Department of Transport. The dinner preceded the Full Forum

The dinner preceded the Full Forum meeting.

Among those present were:
The Liberian Ambassador, Lord Lucas of Chilesent, Dengarden, Lord Lucas of Chilesent, Dengarden, Dengarde

**Finance Houses Association** 

The Chairman of the Finance Houses Association, Mr Stuart Errington, presided at the twentyecond annual dinner of the Finance Houses Association at the Savoy Hotel, London, last night. The

It is the misfortune of the

mussel, in common with other

filter-feeding bivalves, that it

concentrates from its aquatic

environment many of the more

pernicions man-made pol-intants, in particular the

transuranic elements, haloge-nated hydrocarbons such as

PCBs and DDT, petroleum hydrocarbons, and heavy

But the mussel's misfortune

is man's - and, more specifi-

cally, scientific man's - gain.
Mussels are ideal "sentinels"

for studying the extent and

Mrs George West and Lieutenant-Commander Peter Eberle, RN ST. JAMES'S PA iravelled in an aircraft of the March 27: The

The Prince of Wales was represented by the Earl of St Aldwyn at the Memorial Service for Viscount Marmillan of Ovenden, MP which was held in St Margaret's Westminster today, KENSINGTON PALACE

March 27: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, as Colonci-in-Chief, today, visited Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps at Aldershot, and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Hampshire (Lieutenant-Colonel Sir James

Her Royal Highness attended a Service to mark Alexandra Day in the Royal Garrison Church of All Saints, and was present at, a Reception and Luncheon given by the Corps at the QARANC Training

Major The Lord Napier and Etune and the Hon Mrs Whitehead were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE March 23: The Duke of Gloucester visited the Institute of Hydrology, Wallingford Oxfordshire, today, Lieutersant Colonel Str Stmon

Lieutenant Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester. Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Army Educational Corps, today received Major-General A. J. Trythall on relinquishing the appointment of Director of Army Education and Brigadier D. E. Ryan on assuming the appointment. the appointment.

Mr David Williams, Deputy International Director (Overseas Sales), British Railways Board, to be director of international marketing and director, Channel Tunnel from June I on the retirement of Mr P. A.

Mr Mark Hodges to be Chairman of the South Bank Theatre Board from April 1 to August 3.

Dr B. C. Little and Miss K. Jolowicz

The engagement is announced between Brian, youngest son of Dr and Mrs G. W. E. Little, of Chigwell, Essex, and Kate, elder daughter of Professor and Mrs J. A. Jolowicz, of Barrington, Cambridgeshire.

Mr P. J. L. Nash and Miss A. E. S. Vane-Tempest

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs L. Lester Nash, of Veronica Cottage, Thruxton, Hampshire, and Aline. daughter of Mr Charles Vane-Tempest, of Helsinki, and Mrs Roderick Faure Walker, of Ring wold House, Middle Wallop,

Mr J. F. de V. Nettlefold and Miss J. R. Bruce-Smythe

The engagement is announced between John Frederick, only son of Mr Frederick Nettlefold of Juja Farm, Kenya, and Mrs Rice, of East Ilsley Hall. Newbury, Berkshire, and Juliette Rosalind, only daughter of Mr and Mrs David Bruce-Smythe, of Acton Burnell Park, Shropshire,

Mr R. O'D Paterson and Miss A. B. Newsome

The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Mrs Victoria, British Columbia, and the late Mr Brian O'Donnell Paterson, and Alison Bianca, younger daughter of Mrs Willem Boogerman and stepdaugh-ter of Mr Willem Boogerman, of Rivermead Court, Hurlingham.

and Miss L. F. Rogers

The engagement is announced between Robin, only son of Mr and Mrs James Pirrie, of Kingsgate, Kent, and Lynn, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Victor Rogers, of Louis Kingsgate, William 1987, 19

Mr M. Riminton. and Miss E Drury

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr Peter Riminton, of Walton-ou-Thames, Surrey, and Mrs Sally Earle, of Perth, Western Australia, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mrs Kay Drury, of Solihull, West Midlands.

principle guest was Mr Norman Tebbitt, MP. Mr Deryk Vander Weyer responded to a toast to the guests proposed by Mr Ray Hazlehurst. Among those present

Hazlehurst. Among those present were:
Lord Balfour of Burleich, Lord Barber, Mr
City Barmett, MP, Sir Turnithy Bevas, Sir Hundhy Bevas, Mr
Greibarn Bright, MP, Greise Berrie, Mr
Greibarn Bright, MP, Greise Berrie, Mr
Greibarn Bright, MP, Greise MP, Prosesor AL Dismond, Gelt Greibarn, Mr
Justice Gibson, Professor AL Dismond, Mr
Norman Lemont, MP, Sir Brian Hayen, Mr
Norman Lemont, MP, Sir Brian Hayen, Mr
Nector, MP, Haytoe, MP, Professor JK
McLand, Lord MrCGevun, Mr C W
McMahon, Sir Peter Mcdifelon, Sir Fast
Pugh, Sir Anthony Rawitinson, MP Peter
Streldon, MP, Lord Spens, Sir Anthony
Touche, Mr Richard Walnwright, MP, Mr
Cary Walter, MP, Sir Donald Walters and
Sir Malcolm WECOX.

European-Atlantic Group The European-Atlantic Group held a dinner at St Ermins' Hotel last night in honour of the Canadian High Commissioner in London. The chairman was Lord Chalfont. i ne chairman was Lord Chalfont, chairman of the group, and Lord Layton, president, also spoke.

Among those present were:
The Austrian and Swiss Ambassacora, and offer members of the Diplomatic Corps. Shetsh and Sheisha Khazal Amery. Str Dallas and Lady Bernard, Mr Tom Clarke, Mr. Mr. Stime Dimourtied, Lord Houghton of Sewenty, C.A. Str David Lidentials, Lord Macchine of Seot. Lady Martin, Str John and Lady Peel, Lord Shaughtensy and Mr. Nori Marnhail.

severity of marine pollution: in .

many ways they might have been bred for it. They are extremely widespread

(especially the species Mytilus' edulis) through the world's

coastal waters, and therefore offer a constant metabolism as

a baseline for sampling; they

are sedentary; they concentrate many of the more important pollutants by factors

of at least a thousand over their seawater concentrations,

an immense headstart for the

analyst, and they are common

enough that frequent sampling

extremely

March 27: The Duchess of Kent today presented the awards at the Annual Componer's Award Reception, Wedgwood House, Wigmore Street, London, W1.

Miss Sarah Pertridge was in anendance. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE,

March 27: Princess Alexandra was represented by the Hon Angus Ogilvy at the Memorial Service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, MP which was held in St Margarer's. Westminster today.

Queen Ingrid of Denmark celebrates her birthday today. A memorial service for Sir Wilfred Burns will be held in the Crypt Chapel of St Paul's Cathedral at

It.30 am today. Mr Robert Jackson, MEP, MP, regrets that he was unable to attend the memorial service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, MP.

Birthdays today

The Right Rev Dr C. K. N. Bardsley, 17; Mr Dirk Bogarde, 63; Marjorie Countess of Brecknock, 84; the Hon George Bruce, 54; Professor Sir John Butterfield, 62; Mr Robert Harris, 84; Lord Hutchinson of Lullington, QC, 69; Mr Frank Judd, 49; Mr Neil Kinnock, MP, 42; Mr R, Lister, 65; Mr Clifford Mollison, 87; Mr Michael Parkinson, 49; Dame Flora Robson, 82; Lord Shanshnessy, 62; Lord Justice Stephenson, 74; Mr Richard Stilgoe, 41.

University news

Aberdeen Professor Hamish M. Keir, Head of the Department of Biochemistry, has been designated senior vice-principal from April 1 to September 30, 1985, in succession to Professor Rutherford. Professor James C. Laidlaw has been appointed vice-principal for two and a half years from April I.

Mr William Bradley, presently Secretary to the Hongkong Univer-sity and Polytechnic grants com-mittee, has been appointed Secretary to the university in succession to Mr T. B. Skinner, who retires at the end of September.

Mr Anthony Quinsee, Librarian of Chelsea College, has been appointed to the post of Librarian at Queen Mary College, from October 1. Grant

Sheffield

Appointment
Dr Ronald G. Grainger, MD. FRCP. FRCR, to the new post of professor associate in radioagnosis.

Newcastle

Appointments Appointments

Dr W. J. Cram, reader at the

University of Sydney, to the

professorship of plant boology from

September 1, and to the headship of the department of plant biology.

Dr R. J. Fowell, lecturer in the department of geotechnical engin-eering to the readership in excavation engineering from

Professor J. B. Clark, head of the department of law, to be dean of the faculty of law from August I.

Dr R. H. Dye, senior department of pure mathematics, to the headship of the department

Bristel
The following honorary degrees are
to be awarded in July;
MAc Mr Demoise Merris, second manager,
Sristel Old Vic. Mr Demoise Merris,
and secrebary of the antweath; Mas Saith
Saywal, Chairman, Aven Centre, Biddie
for the Disabled,
Ditte Str David Plaw, Streeter, Astronians
Missaure, Professor L C Knights, covertus,
professor of English, Cambridge University,
Dies, Professor J Th G Overbeak, Professor
of Chamistry, University of Urrecity, Se
George Jefferson, Chairman, British
Telegoral.

Sussex
The following honorary degrees will be conferred at the summer graduation ceremony on July 17:
Life for Adam Thomson, chairmen and chief conceiling of the Calestonian Avisitors follows. Lord Bullet. Lord Bullet. Lord Bullet. Market of & Calestonian Professor John Harper, former hand of the school, of plant biology at the investity College, Oxford.
Disc Professor Sir William Newtherns, former hand of the school, of plant biology at the investity College, Cambridge Dr. Professor Sir William Newtherns, former hand of the content of character College, Cambridge Dr. Assets & McDonwell distinguished professor of four-chief College, Cambridge Dr. Almes & McDonwell distinguished professor of saychology at Princeton University.

At the winter graduation ceremony in December, the following honorary degree will be conferred:

Miller John to P Webb, former university luter in experimental physics.

Appointments

Appointments
Mr Keith Pavitt, senior fellow, science policy research unit, has been appointed to the R. M. Phillips been appointed to the K. M. rnunps chair of science and technology policy studies, from October I. Dr. Aaron Sloman, reader in philosophy and artificial intelligence, has been promoted to a professorship, from April I.

Dr S. Mann has been appointed a lecturer in physics. Grant







Macmillan remembered: Among the mourners at yesterday's memorial service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden were (clockwise, from top left): Mr Winston Churchill, MP, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone and Mr John Profumo, the former Conservative Cabinet minister. Viscount Macmillan's father, Lord Stockton, aged 90, the former Mr Harold Macmillan, decided not to attend yesterday's service: He attended his son's funeral earlier this month. (Photographs: Chris Harris).

#### Memorial services

Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, MP

The Queen was represented by Lord Somerleyton at a memorial service for Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, MP, held at St Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday. The Prince of Wales was represented by Earl St Aldwyn and Princess Alexandra by the Hon Angus Ogilvy. Cannon Trevor Beeson officiated, assisted by Canon Donald Gray, who led the prayers, and Mgr Alexander Nad-son, who pronounced the blession son, who pronounced the blessing. The Lord Chancellor, the Prime Minister, the Lord President of the Council and Viscountess Whitelaw, the Speaker and Mrs Weatherill, Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party also representing the Leader of the Social Democratic Party, Lord and Lady Home of the Hirsel, Mr Edward Heath, MP, and the Deputy Lord Mayor of Westminster attended. The Earl of Stockton, OM, father, was represented by Viscount Macmillan of Ovenden, son.



Latest wills

Violet Carson

leaves £193,000



Violet Carson, who left £193,190

Hampstead, north London, pianist and piano teacher, formerly artistic director at EMI Records and the pianist of the Robert Masters Mrs Joyce Mary Davenport, of Bathwick Hill, Bath, left estate valued at £1,177,451 act. Quartet. left estate valued at £173,843 net. He left his music library not otherwise bequeathed to Edinburgh Public Library Music Recent estates include (net, before Department.

Mr Ernest Albert Sarsham. of Markyate, Hertfordshire, left estate valued at £831,024 net.

Extent estates include (net, beide tax paid):

Execut estates

Colonel W. J. Shoolbred memorial service for Colone Walter Shoolbred was held at Si Michael's Church, Chester Square, Michael's Church, Chester Square, vesterday. The Rev E. G. H. Saunders officiated. Brigadier W. M. T. Magan read the lesson and Mr John Brunel Cohen, chairman of the

"Not Forgotten" Association, gave

Requiem Mass

Sir John Best-Shaw Requiem Mass for Sir John Best-Shaw was celebrated by Prebendary Flerbert Moore, assisted by the Rev Perry Butler and the Rev Robert Browne, also representing the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, at St Stephen's, Gloucester Road, yesterday. The Rev John Shepherd, representing the Bishop of London, was robed and in the sanctuary. Mr Stephen Canon C. J. Read gave an address.

# **Eton College**

Lent half at Eton College ended yesterday. The Newcastle Scholar-ship has been awarded to D. W. Runciman, OS. The Newcastle medallist is J. F. Boff, KS, the Wilder Divinity prize has been awarded to J. N. R. Carleton Paget, OS, and the Keynes prize for Economics to W. V. Wellesley. The Outen's prize for Franch has been Queen's prize for French has been awarded to J. P. S. Whyatt, KS, amd for German to W. J. Hely-Hutchinson. In the final of the house football Mr J. G. L. Nichols's defeated Mr T. S. B. Card's by 6 points to one. Mr J. N. B. Cook's won the Athletics Cup. Summer half begins on April 25.

# Church news

#### First Bishop of Bolton named The Right Rev David Galliford,

Suffragan Bishop of Hulme since 1975, has been appointed Bishop of Bolton. The Queen approved the creation of the Suffragan See of Bolton last month.

# The mussel's misfortune, amid the politics of pollution

Science report

will have no appreciable effect watch" has been organized by

on their populations. . Bivalves generally are nausually resistant to pollutants and often survive where other organisms have perished. They are easily transplanted from one area to another, making comparisons of polluted and less polluted en-vironments relatively simple. and they respond much more quickly to pollutants (or the absence of them) than the

seawaters and sediments

The occasional "mussel

themselves

several countries since the seventies, and the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Com-Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization recently sponsored the formation of a task team on marine polintion research and monitoring using commercially exploited shell-

fish as determinants.

Now a meeting of coastal marine scientists has called for an international mussel watch, possibly under the anspices of the United Nations Environ-

ment Programme, at a surprisingly : reasonable estimated cost of less than £500,000. . The proposal is felt to be especially urgent in the light of apparent increases in the use of persistent chlorinated hy-

drecarbon pesticides in the southern hemisphere and the tropics. Developing countries, it is feared, are picking up where the West left off after the environmental dangers of those substances were first recognized, and recent evidence suggests that levels in the oceans of the north and

south may now be the same. It is down to the massels to adduce evidence either way because, in the diplomatic words of one scientist, production and use data concern-ing pesticides are virtually unobtainable so long as "sovereign nations categorize them as proprietary information to protect their economic interests or their environmental attitudes".

Source: The Siren, no 23, United Nations Environment Pro-gramme, Palais des Nations, [21] Geneva 10.

#### **OBITUARY**

#### AHMED SEKOU TOURÉ

President of Guinea

President Ahmed Sekou Toure of Guinea, who died on March 26 in Cleveland, Ohio, at the age of 62, was the most radical of the leaders to emerge in France's Black African colonies during the struggle for independence. Unhappily, in later years he became known as one of Africa's most oppressive rulers, although a "moderate" in international affairs.

He was the only national leader in the French African lerritories with the singlemindedness and self-confidence to opt for complete independence and severance of ties with France in the referenda of 1958. It was perhaps easier for him to take this courageous step as Guinea's economy, being largely based on exportable minerals like bauxite, was less dependent on traditional French markets than the other mainly agricultural francophone

His aim was the creation of what he called une democratie populaire, a one-party state based on Marxist principles and launched with revolutionary slogans like "Better proverty in liberty than riches in slavery" If his achievements in terms of economic prosperity, individual liberty and administrative efficiency and honesty often fell short of expectations, he himself showed a remarkable talent for survival in the face of considerable internal and external opposition.

Sakou Touré was born at Faranah in upper Guinea on January 9, 1922. His parents were peasants and his only advantage of birth was a clan kinship with Samory Touré the national hero of early resistance

to French occupation.

A Muslim. his education was at a local Koranic school and a technical school at Conakry. Here he was expelled for his part in a food strike and thus missed the opportunites for higher education in west Africa and France which were open to other Africans of his calibre. He became a largely self-educated man and always retained a scorn for the French educated evolués and the intellectual élite who tended to dominate nationalist movements in the French-speaking territories. From humble employment as

a clerk in a subsidiary of Unilever called Niger Français and in various government departments, he rose quickly by hard work and organizing ability to a position of power in the trade unions and political parties associated with them both in Guinea and in French west Africa as a whole.

He founded the Guinean branch of the Confederation Général du Travail in 1946, and took over the leadership of the Parti Démocratique de Guinée in 1952. Through these organisations he made contact with the Rassemblement Démocratique Africain which embraced the whole of francophone Africa, south of the Sahara, and with the French CGT and the World. Federation of Trade Unions, all of which were then under Communist influence.

He was elected Mayor of Conakry in 1955. Deputy for Guinea in the French Assembly, in the following year, and by 1957 when his party won 56 out of the 60 seats in the newly established territorial assembly. he was the undisputed leader of a country which, because of his Marxist ideas and Communist affiliations and the strength of his popular support and party organisations, was regarded by many as the most explosive powder-keg in west Africa. He used his powers under the new constitution to destroy the powers of the traditional chiefs and replace them by village councils and to pursue a policy of radical Africanisation.

When in 1958 President de Gaulle offered the territories south of the Sahara the choice by referendum between limited autonomy within the comfort-



Community and complete independence out in the cold, Sekon Toure led his country to out alone for the latter. He was predictably elected the first President of the new Republic of Guinea.

Suddenly and in some ways harshly deprived of the benefits of the long-standing French connection, President Sekon Toure turned to the USSR and for a time enjoyed a honeymoon period of economic and cultural relations with the East. in 1961 however he found grounds to expel the Soviet ambassador, and thereafter pursued the policy of non-alignment in international relations which was then becoming fashionable and profitable among the emergent nations of the third world.

He flirted for a time with the idea of a union between Guinea Mali and Nkrumah's Ghana, and was an enthusiastic supporter of pan-African con-ferences and aspirations, but after 1964 he became increasingly preoccupied with his own: domestic problems and with protecting himself and his regime against real and imagined threats both within the country and from ouside.

In November 1970 he was nearly unseated and killed by an attack launched from Portuguese Guinea and this led to an intensification of the rigours and the isolation of what had already become a barsh and closely regulated society.

Guinea became known as one of the most brutal of Africa's one-party states. Thousands of political prisoners were tortured and hundreds condemned to death by starvation, including the former Secretary-General of th Organization of African Unity, Diallo Telli, who had been a close adviser of Toure's but eventually fell victim to his paranoia, being accused, while minister of Justice, of involvement in a tribalist plot.

In spite of this reputation, Sekou Touré reappeared on the international stage in his last years as a "moderate" Islamic figure, closely associated with NINE Hassan whose cause he championed in the dispute over Western Sahara. In 1982 he led the delegation sent by the Islamic Conference Organization to attempt mediation in the Iran-

He also played a leading role in the last Franco-African summit in Vittel, and he was expected to host the OAU summit this summer, thereby becoming the next OAU chairman.

Sekou Toure was an honest, tough, brasif and colourful man who drove himself and others hard. He was strong and handsome and sometimes charming, and ha seemingly inexhaustible energy in pursuit of his political aims and his private pleasures. He was a fine speaker and possessed a charismatic quality which in his early years elicited fanatical popular support. It is sad that a man who set out with such distinc-live ideals, and achieved such affairs should be chiefly remembered as the Draconian ruler of able framework of the French a country with a million exiles.

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which in earlier days claimed to house 1,000 trades. Now the search is for new jobs in high technology industries and the service sector.

The Times Midland Correspondent,

Craig Seton, looks at Britain's second city

Birmingham's postwar pros-perity has been shattered, but Britain's second city is vigorously disinclined to be regarded as a has-been. Instead, it is becoming boastful again, actively encouraging a brash, self-confident image as it sets about the mammoth task of generating new wealth and desperately-needed

The wealth of this city of over one million people ran right through into the early 1970s. Only now are the newspaper cuttings chronicling its rather self-indulgent sense of wellbeing turning yellow.

A decade can be a long time in the life of a city. The area's heavy reliance on metal bashing industries - cars. foundry work, electrical and mechanical engineering - made it especially vulnerable when the fierce winds of the recession tore through the old, insecure manufacturing base.

Birmingham intends to rely heavily once again on the innovative and entrepreneurial skills for which it was renowned. Regeneration, though, can still be a dispiriting business. The triumph of new jobs created can be quickly put into perspective when another industrial giant dumps several thousand jobs in one go.

Mr Harold Blumenthal, chairman of the city's powerful economic development committee, said: "One of the worst problems is that Birmingham was too early on the industrial scherne. A great deal of our industrial buildings were Victorian or early 1930s and not at all suitable for the modern industry we need now. One of our primary aims has been to recycle those sites to make space available for new developments. We also hope the advantages of Birmingham's motorways and rail links and an international airport in the heart of the country, will balance out the deficiencies".

The drive for new jobs is concentrating very much in two areas; the creation of modern, science-based and high-tech industries, and the expansion of service sector employment. The city council, at present Tory controlled, believes that public money should be used - in large amounts - to "prime the pumps"; get projects off the ground and demonstrate the confidence that will attract sector investment.

Councillor Neville worth, the Tory leader of the council, says the project will bring Birmingham new jobs, new wealth and attract international attention. Mr Bernard Zissman, chairman of the general purposes committee, said: "It is part of the 1980s revolution in the city. Manufacturing will still form the main plank of our industry, but we are having to move into the service sector, which is labour intensive, and redirect jobs

that it should put up about £90m of the cash involved, the rest to be attracted from the council delegation went to Brussels to state its case for EEC aid for the scheme and is hopeful that up to 40 per cent of the council's share could be met from Community funds.

Difficulties facing even the optimists in Birmingham are enormous. Between March 1975 and March 1982, about 324,000 jobs were lost in the West Midlands – 96 per cent in manufacturing. Unemployment in the city is just under 90,000, as high as 30 or more per cent in some wards which also have all usual problems associated with inner city deprivation.

Facing these problems, Birmingham's leaders adopt a nononsense, "let's get on with it" approach and are scathing about their counterparts in other depressed conurbations where, they say, the only noticeable movement is the anguished wringing of hands.

The Conservatives, who re-turned to power in May 1982, set about council service and manpower with Thatcherite vigour. The rates were cut for the first time in 40 years, by 15p (12 per cent), which they said saved a large ratepayer like BL £500,000 a year. The budget for 1984-85, which at £373m is

It is not surprising, therefore, that council leaders queue up to state their excitement and enthusiasm for the city's largest project, a proposed £121m international convention centre for the city centre. The complex of halls and a five star hotel which, if built and completed by the end of the decade, should provide up to 2,000 new jobs and bring at least £40m a year to the local economy.

The city council proposes

sector. Recently, a exactly in line with the Government's larget, will see a second rate cut of about 5p (41/2 per cent). The authority's manpower will have been cut from over 56,000 four years ago, to

> financial year. Mr Bosworth, the council leader, said it was imperative that before the council played its part in generating wealth, it "gets the basics right"

about 48,000 in the next

We are continually combing our services and getting more efficient at a lower cost. The Government and the local authority are setting the climate to get things moving to revitalize and regenerate the economy of Birmingham."

The Conservatives have a majority of only three and may well hand over control to Labour in the May elections. Councillor Dick Knowies, in a recent policy statement, said: We must concentrate the major part of our programme on those firms that are doing well, whose long-term prospects are good, but who may be facing problems at the financial

Special attention also had to



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BIRMINGHAM PROFILE

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be paid to science-based industries. Aston Science Park "should prove to be the touchpaper for a new explosion of technical skills in the city,

The Tory administration's rate-cutting zeal has put pressure on the Labour group over its policies. The group is not slow to take part in the usual ideological jousting and protests vigorously about cuts in services. In reality, however, there is a considerable degree of bipartisanship. It says it will not exceed the Government's spending target and has supported job creating activities. It also committed to the

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DISTANCES AND TIMES

980 acres

Road distances (and rail times) To London 105m (1h 31mins)

convention centre, "provided the finance is available". One scheme in which the council played a dual role with

ground. The city and Lloyds Bank each put up film and with the University of Aston has created the Aston Science Park. The University of Birmingham, with city help, has also created its own Institute of Research and Development to improve and extend the "tech-nological transfer" between

Last year created a development and promotion unit, with a budget of £2m a year and staff. of 16, to dovetail its numerous economic initiatives into a

university and industry.

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CITY CENTRE PROFILE

Area (Central Area

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clear, concerted drive. A convention and visitor bureau is in operation to develop and promote the city's increasingly keen interest in lucrative "busithe private sector is well off the ness tourism".

While the council seeks EEC aid for the convention centre and the science park, it is still at. edds with the Government over regional policy. The imaginative and enterprising Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce best sums up the local attitude: The West Mid-lands should be able to compete for investment on equal terms with areas elsewhere in Britain whose unemployment levels are actually lower, but as long as the! Government is committed to an assisted areas map, the area has to be on it.

Two major schemes in the city have recently attracted record urban development grants from the Department of the Environment. One of nearly £6m - the largest granted in the country - is towards the £23m bill for development of a high quality engineering park on 45 acres of land at Witton, owned by industrial giant IMI.

The development should create about 1,000 jobs. It is intended to attract a wide range of new and existing companies, especially those likely to draw on the city's skilled engineering workforce.

An UDG of £4.7m has also been granted towards the £35m Paradise Circus development, four office blocks, an hotel and multi-storey car park, which is being created out of a partnership of the city and developers Henry Boot. A new concert half and lecture theatre will also be built there for the city.

While attempting to regenerate industry, there are also large areas of capital expenditure devoted to the rehabilitation of

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Pictures by John Reardon

the city's ageing housing stock and buying up land and "recycling" old factory sites. Housing capital expenditure is currently £121m - three times the level of 1981-82.

The massive shopping, office and road developments in the city centre of the 1960s and 1970s may give Birmingham a brash, bold, not to say inelegant visage, but in the inner city areas many of the old problems remain. An estimated 180,000 dwellings are regarded as unsatisfactory, 20,000 people are on the housing waiting list, and demographic changes now mean that the largest demand for council accommodation is

from single people.

About 15 per cent of the population is now living in households where the head of the family was born in a New Commonwealth country or Pakistan and many of the ethnic "Brummies" are living in the poorest areas.

The council has sold more than 6,000 council houses to sitting tenants. Many of the 429 high-rise blocks in the city - the result of slum clearances - are now themselves in need of urgent repair. The council has an extensive programme of council housing improvements at a cost of £31m this year.

Mr Tom Caulcott, the city chief executive, joins the elected leaders in his refusal to be downhearted or pessimistic about the city's future.

"This is a brash, dynamic and go ahead place, prepared to knock things down and start again", he said. "It does not accept failure easily. When the economic upturn comes we must be ready to take advantage of it as much, if not more, than any other local authority in the country".

But for all the confidence. there is more than a note of cautious realism. Councillor Blumenthal said: "Birmingham is in a very difficult situation. We are losing jobs in thousands and gaining them in tens and hundreds. We cannot do the job ourselves; but at least we can prime the pump.

"At worst, we are getting money circulating and at best we are creating new industry. I am not pessimistic. The local authority can give leadership and set an example. We are the "enablers" - we will let people do their thing and be a success."

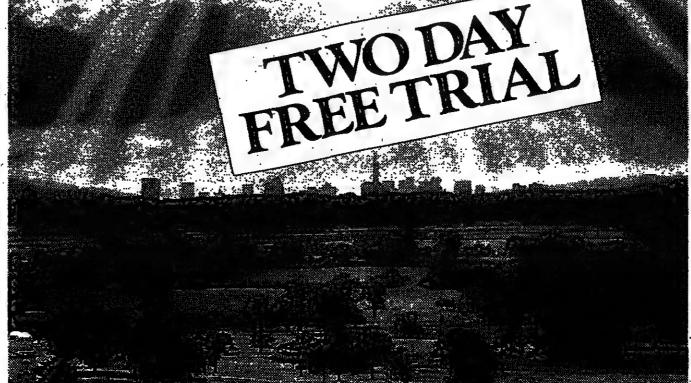
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# The race to put a city back on its feet

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The city's coat of arms proclaiming "Forward" correctly suggested vigour and confidence. Birmingham had surged ahead as an urban workshop, "made in Birmingham" implying a worldwide market penetration for its In the twentieth century. Birmingham's longstanding ability to harness science to industry and to market its product made the

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Perhaps the writing was on the wall for a long time. The international shift of economic gravity away from Britain and western Europe, first to North America and then to Japan and South-east Asia has been a secular movement of long standing. British exports have progressively lost their competitive edge and there has been a sustained failure to invest in and reinvigorate aging indus-

Structural change in the national economy has meant that manufacturing now accounts for less than one-third of all jobs. Some regions with a larger share of declining industries have been hard hit: the West Midlands suffered through its concentration of motor

trial plant.

Nationally, the many difficulties have culminated in a rapid collapse of the economies of British cities, an experience which Birmingham has not avoided. The big city which for many years had been a magnet of attraction for both people and manufacturing activity has now become a pole of dispersal. New economic growth has sought out locationally advantageous sites in the suburbs and beyond the green belt in the expanding towns, and a reverse tide of population flow is leaving the unlovely cities for

The effect on Birmingham has been disastrous. Between 1971 and 1982 more than 126,000 jobs were lost in the city, a figure similar to the whole of Scotland and far in excess of that of Wales. Moreover, the worst may not yet be past; if there were to be a further decline of total employ-ment in the West Midlands region of 10 per cent by 1990, and this concentrated on manu-facturing, then a further 48,000 jobs in the city would go. The chain reaction in employment sees manufacturing generate a demand for local services, from which earnings support a range

Since 1945 Britain has operated a regional policy. Successive legislation has varied the scale and direction of aid to regions in economic difficulty, but basically a stick and carrot policy has sought to control development in the Midlands. East Anglia, the South and the South-east and provide grant and infrastructure investment for the remainder of the country. Birmingham conspicuously failed to benefit from a strategy based on a concept of redistributing footloose indus-

There is now much greater realism about regional econ-omic planning. If there is no footloose industry to redistibute, attention must turn to a revival of local economies in the cities themselves. If Birmingham was the unintended victim of the assisted area of the city planning department policy, it must explore the both provide help and advice to policy, it must explore the potential of local effort and self

containing 60 individual units ment has as its context the

Other city initiatives include the Aston Science Park, a joint venture with Lloyds Bank and the University of Aston, There is also the Innovation Centre, a joint enterprise with the National Westminster Bank, intended to provide guidance and advice to low-to-medium technology industries. The Information Technology Centre is another joint venturer with the private sector to provide training in computers for young people. Finally, four industrial improvement areas have been declared tone comprising the jeweller, quarter) in which the renovation of premises can be grant aided and the environ-

ment improved. Meanwhile, the city council makes full use of urban development grants to help stimulate private sector invest-ment. The two largest schemes Birmingham: a £4.68m grant for commercial development at Paradise Circus and a £5.7m grant for an industrial engineer-

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and private sectors are praiseworthy, Much more has been done than is generally recognised. For a city in economic change, it can scarcely be criticized for a lack of initiative, Whether it can all happen fast

scale has yet to be seen.

The dire problems are being tackled at a number of different levels, and by different agencies, both public and private. The question of the availability of industrial land is a matter for the planning authority. The city at present has about 4,600 acres in industrial use and it has been calculated that about 1.250 acres of additional industrial land will be needed over the next ten years in packages of new, larger sites, as for example in the Woodgate Valley.

The City Council offers a

enough and on a large enough

comprehensive package of aid. The Business Employment Scheme run through the chief executive's department and the industrial development group new business enterprises. The latter manages the city's New The efforts made over the Enterprise Workshops; at pre-past ten years by both public sent there are three of these

for embryonic commercial urban programme, imple-

ing park at Witton.

Heavy public sector invest-

The seven districts argue that

will mean more accountable

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housing management and the social services provided by the

technological research. Economic change can be mented through the partnership committee. Since the Inner Urban Areas Act. 1978, there painful; at a time of national and international recession, it is has been a vigorous attempt to sure to be so. Successful

stances demands creativity. Birmiogham's institutions in metropolitan areas to the inner cores and economic aid has the form of local government. been part of this strategy. private industry, commerce, banks and higher education seem collectively to have both the energy and the ideas. The University of Birmingham meantime has launched an Institute of Research and however, social protest at unemployment and declining Development to foster links with industry and commerce and to enhance the transfer of life chances feeds too readily on technology. Rather differently from a science park, it is not designed simply to provide land or buildings for manufacturing,

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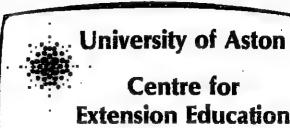
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demolition process of the ten- last summer. year-old West Midlands County Council.

local government in the West should be run by three separate Midlands, but the fiercest joint boards, made up of arguments being fought out in appointed district councillors town and county halls is over from each of the seven district what will replace it.

It is an argument that cuts right across party lines. Behind joint boards.

Indeed it seems they want to expunge the very word "West Midlands" from the municipal vocabulary.

They created the term West Midlands ten years ago. I do not like the term. Nobody knows quangos. where it is. If you say you come from Coventry everybody knows where it is. I do not know even if there is such a thing as the West Midlands", said Councillor Neville Bosworth, the Conservative leader of Birmingham City Council.
"Somebody who lives in

Wolverhampton is more likely to go to New York in their lifetime than to go to Coven-

It is that feeling that the towns and cities of the West

In the next few weeks the House Midlands have different probforces in the country. of Commons will debate a bill lems and characters that has led that will start the two year to such intensive lobbying since breaking up the police and fire

The Government's White Paper, Streamlining the Cities, Its expected demise will bring proposes that the police, fire an end to an unhappy decade of buses and local rail services

But a lobby organized by the Vest Midlands Districts Westthe scenes some leading Con- Committee, chaired by Councilservative advocates of abolition lor Bosworth, is pressing hard of the metropolitan county for the West Midlands Police councils have been working and Fire services to be broken hard to fight off the Government's proposals to replace the The only joint board that county council with a series of should be set up, the seven district councils argue, is the Passenger Transport Authority.

Mr Bosworth explained that the opposition of the districts committee to the joint boards does not stem from the popular belief that they are just more

"We have at present a police authority which deals with 3.5 million to four million people It is too large and we think it would be more efficiently run and more economically run if it is divided into three forces."

Those three forces would cover the Black Country (made up of Wolverhampton, Sand-well, Dudley and Walsall); Birmingham and a third force covering Coventry, Solihull and possibly Warwickshire, which

district councils.

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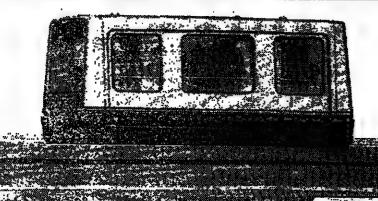
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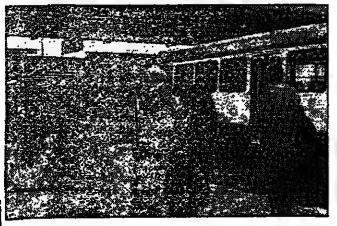
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# Arguments still rumble about the 'West-Midlands'

cover a population of more than one million people. They will be larger than many existing forces up and down the country", said Mr Bosworth.

When a delegation from the West Midlands districts met Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Home Office, on February 8, they were able to back up their case with a submission from Sir Philip Knights, the Chief Constable of the 6,700 strong West Midlands Police

"We are awaiting a decision from the Home Office. The Department of Environment, we are assured understand our case and are on our side in this matter", said Mr Bosworth.
"The White Paper proposing abolition of the metropolitan county councils does not argue for uniformity across the country. It says it will be flexible on arrangements. The fire service can go with the police." Officially all the Home Office

will say is: "At present there are no plans to change force orities will be considering a

Not surprisingly the lobby for

the break up of the West Midlands Police and Fire services has the support of Councillor lack Edmonds, the Conservative leader of Dudley Council, one of the four Black

Country boroughs.

But Mr Edmonds has managed to bring along with him the Labour leaders of Wolverbamp-ton and Sandwell as well as the Conservative-Liberal coalition in control in Walsall.

Indeed a "mini Black Country council" has developed in recent months. It started with joint meetings to discuss the problems caused by disused

imestone workings.

Mr Edmonds said the main argument against the plan came from those opposed to the abolition of the County Council. Councillor Gordon Morgan, the Labour leader of West Mid-lands County Council has said: "If you put the district councils in the same room they could not agree tomorrow was Tues-day,"

Mr Edmonds said: "This is not the case in the Black Country. In the coming weeks the leaders of the four auth-

losses. But Austin Rover's sales

major independent study of how they can work together to promote the economic regener-ation of the Black Country."

They also intend to cooperate on a whole series of other issues: highways, derelict land reclamation, telecommunications and social amenities. cations and social amenities.

In part the Black Country desire to go its own way once again is based on an anti-Birmingham feeling. "Whatever happens if we have joint boards Birmingham will have control of them. That is enough to unite both Labour and Conservative against Birmingham "said Measure Birmingham" said Measure against Birmingham."

igainst Birmingham," said Mr At the eastern end of the conurbation, Coventry City Council echoes the Black Country sentiments.

"We vigorously fought against the establishment of the West Midlands County Coun-cil. We advised the then Conservative Government it would not work as well as the system before 1974. But they did not listen", said Councillor Peter Lister, Labour leader of Coventry City Council.

Coventry itself is separated from the rest of the conurbation

by a green belt known as the Meriden Gap. Mr Lister believes that all the proposed joint boards will do is make Coventry part of a Greater Birmingham as they would meet in the City and would probably be chaired by Birminghamn representatives.

Ideally, he would like to see a return to strong single tier district councils in both metropolitan and shire areas with a regional tier of government that

■ The Government's nouncement approving the establishment of West Midands Freeport at Birmingham International Airport adds it to the list of 400 freeports throughout the world. It is estimated that the £2.5m first phase of the scheme will cover about 15 acres, incorporating over 100,000 square feet

would run health, water, planning and even higher education. He points out that the West Midlands Districts Committee is not the united voice that some might portray it as. For example, a document issued last

savings that would result from the abolition of the West Midlands County Council was disowned by three of the Labour district councils.

"We still think the present system is the best solution on

offer. The services will need to be continued. The case to save the County Council grows stronger every day." But while publicly the Labour Party attempts to maintain a united stance, privately Labour district leaders have added their support to the plan to break up the police and fire services.

Leading Labour councillors on the controlling group at County Hall privately admit they will be lucky if they can do more than keep the West Midlands Passenger Transport Authority going on a county-

But Councillor Bosworth and Councillor Edmonds have powerful friends in Whitehall and Westminster. Both sit on an ad-hoc Department of Environ-ment Committee, chaired by Lord Bellwin, the Local Government Minister, which meets monthly to discuss the

rate-capping campaigns.

In the past government ministers have complained that they are unable to aid the West Midlands because there was no

united voice speaking on the region's behalf. But in recent months on such issues as regional aid and the freeport the region has begun to get its act together, as Mr John Butcher, Parliamentary Under Secretary for Industry,

has put it.
The founding of the West Midlands Industrial Develop-ment Association, the forum of the West Midlands County Councils and numerous other lobbies will ensure that the case continues to be pressed in Whitehall and Brussels.

The passing of the West Midlands County Council looks set once again to reestablish the municipal sovereignty of the cities and towns of Birmingham, Coventry, Solihull, Wolverhampton, Sandwell, Dudley and Walsall.

**Alan Travis** The Birmingham Post Midland Political Correspondent

#### Birmingham is fortunate not to have found itself in the same position as its neighbour. Coventry, with the bulk of its workers concentrated in a few major companies. But its large companies provide the bedrock of an economy which generates the legendary thousand trades, many of them practised over the city's western boundary in

the Black Country.

The city formed the nucleus for engineering giants like Austin, confectioners such as Cadbury's, and brewers, including Anselis. But the present day city has seen a change which over the past five years has swept away much of the established pattern of industry.

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The former BSA factory in Small Heath, for example, was bulldozed years ago when the final remnants of its motorcycle manufacturing closed down, Now, even the gunmaking rump which was the foundation of the business has moved to smaller and cheaper premises. Austin, now part of the stateowned BL Group, is a shadow of its former self, though massive injections of state capital and astute management mean that it is fast recovering.

Cadbury's has had to rationalize the hundreds of chocolate lines it collected over the years by automated production which led to labour cuts, and the

results are beginning to show. But Ansells is a casualty of the poor industrial relations with which the city is unjustifiably branded. The brewery at Asion Cross was closed three

# The changes to a city, from beer to chocolate

components.

Pakistan.

the autumn.

The Longbridge plant produces the 25-year-old Mini,

whose end must surely come

soon in spite of continued demand. It is also the home of

the Ital saloom car and its

derivatives, moved from Cow-

ley. Ital production is almost

finished and the line is going to

Honda-designed Triumph Ac-claim from Cowley, and pro-duction of a revamped version with a Rover badge will start in

In a study commissioned by

the Labour-controlled West Midlands County Council, the unit identified 100,000 jobs in

Birmingham and the West

Midlands directly dependent on

the company.
It warned that if more

components were imported as

Austin Rover has threatened, it

would lead directly to job

Longbridge is to get the

years ago after workers objected to rationalization plans and struck. That ended a long best sellers, justifiably dubbed the group's "survival" car. Since then, the new investment has largely gone to the twin plant at Cowley, near Oxford, but makes many of the group's brewing tradition and almost a thousand jobs.

Today, the brewery site is being redeveloped for small industry, and some former Ansells workers have set up their own mini-brewery near by. Birmingham is the centre of Dunlop's tyremaking operations. Fort Dunlop stands prominently for travellers on the elevated M6 motorway. But change is in the air, and the Japanese flag will fly over part of the site when Sumitomo takes charge of some of the activities.

There remains a question mark over a thousand jobs making car tyres which Sumitomo did not want, while Dunlop reviews the future. There are bright spots, however. The huge Austin Rover plant on the city's southern edge at Longhridge was the first in the group to receive one of the longpromised new cars of the BL

range.
The Metro, launched in 1980. is consistently in the top five are recovering and its new model range appears likely to capture at least 20 per cent of the British car market and to sell well overseas.

The problems faced by Lucas Industries, the electrical and aviation group based in innercity Hockley, reflect those of Austin Rover and the motor industry. Job cuts at Lucas's Birmingham factories have been massive, and the group had a £21m loss in 1981.

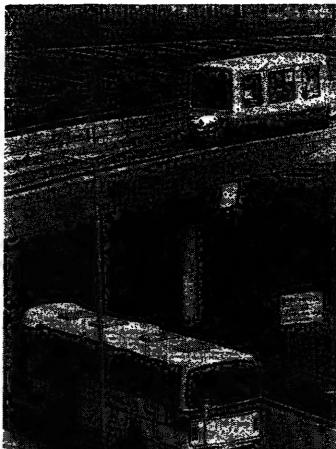
GKN is even more dependent on the motor industry, and its problems have been greater. Its workforce has been halved in four years, at a cost of £200m, It lost £1.2m in 1980, and although last year's recently declared profit of £88.1m was wice that of 1982, it was only half the level of the best year on a similar turnover. Sir Trevor

Holdsworth, the chairman, said

trading profits were getting

But businesses closed in Birmingham are not going to return. The group is investing, especially overseas, and it is even moving its group offices out of rundown Smethwick to Redditch, the satellite new town where a great deal of the city's industry decamped from squalid inner-city factories.

TL still better known in its longer form as Tube Investments, is in a similar position. The group has suffered horribly from the rundown of engineering industries, and the vicissi-tudes of once major markets



By road and rail: the MAGLEV passenger shuttle service between Birmingham's International railway and airport

like Nigeria, where it sold

bicycles.
The company's main factorretains tube manipulation and its main office. A merger is planned of TT's cold drawn steel tube business with British Steel on a site at Oldbury to the west, closing its Rocky Lane plant in

be city at a cost of 200 jobs. IMI did not make a loss in the worst of the recession, but it has cut staff and operations to survive. The company recently announced profits of £31.5m, which showed a strong second half recovery. Sir Robert Clark, the chairman, hailed that as the first corner on the road to recovery. It has sold off a major lossmaker in its rolling mills, merged with McKeclinie Metals in Aldridge near by, rid itself of zip-fasteners, streamlined and changed production of shotgun cartridges and has converted a large part of its Witton site into an industrial estate.

IMI's great success is the Cornelius operation, which makes drink dispensing equipment. That operation has doubled trading profits and the growth is led from the US.

Cadbury Schweppes, located at Bournville, is still shedding jobs, with the automation of chocolate manufacture. Chair-man Sir Adrian Cadbury has been an advocate of slimming operations by selling off parts to employees and buying back the

The company saw profits rise

£107m, with sales only 14 per cent ahead. Four hundred jobs are being lost at Bournville over

Birmingham's newer industries are holding out better hopes for employment. Horizon Travel has been growing fast, with its own airline based at East Midlands Airport.

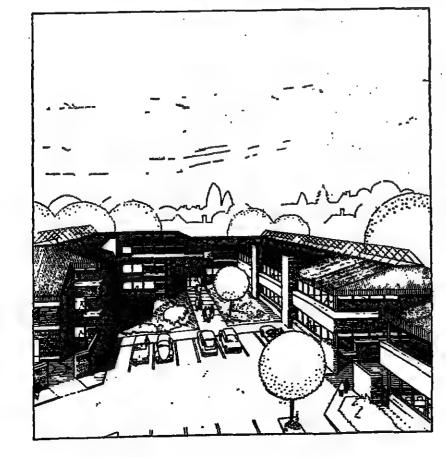
The company has 400 employees in the city, and although its profits fell last year by £2m to £12.6m, it is forecasting a good future.

Applied Computer Techniques is another high flier. The company began life 20 years ago as a computer bureau, and now has a turnover of £100m a year, which chairman Mr Lindsey Bury confidently expects to double. Its United Kingdom manufacturing base is; however, in the Silicon Glen of Glenrothes in Scotland and not Birmingham, attracted by grant aid much to Mr Bury's regret. The company's prosperity is based on the American Sirius microcomputer which it distributes and is bidding for manufacture, and its own Apricot micro.

ACT epitomizes Birming-ham's problem. Like the rest of the West Midlands, the city has been unable to attract sunrise industry with massive grants. The future may well lie with the myriad smaller companies.

Graham Sidwell Industrial Correspondent, by 19 per cent last year to Beacon Radio, Wolverhampton

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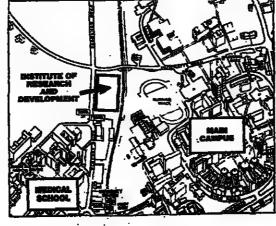
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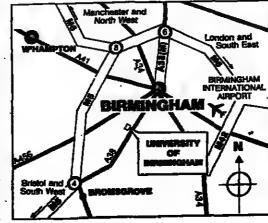
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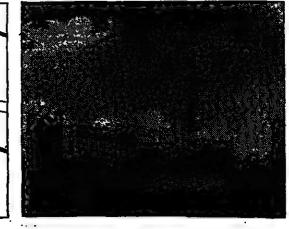
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nurtures the high technology perhaps even desperate, to grasp ideas of budding entrepreneurs the extensive facilities and help through research into commer- the park offers. cial marketability, has been open just over a year. Nine science park tenants occupy about one third company, calls itself a venture of the 50,000 square feet of capitalist. It was formed "incubator" units in phase one through a partnership of Bir-of the 27 acre development, mingham City Council and Two more are expected next Lloyds Bank, which each put up month on the site, which is £1m. and the University of adjacent to the University of Aston itself. A further capital Aston, Britain's largest techno- development fund of £2.9m is logical university which con- carmarked for expansion, tains the largest business school

will be asked to leave, to be visual aids, secretarial service a research institute to have any

Birmingham Technology, the management

Birmingham Technology. through the park, offers fledg-Companies will be made or ling companies a range of broken in the testing "hot-business support services not house" atmosphere of the park. likely to be found outside a Although it exists to ease the well-established and successful creation of a new enterprise, enterprise, including plush conthose whose ideas do not work ference rooms, telex and audio 30 years from its conception as automatic. The city has now got

I he power behind the button.

These normally expensive trappings, though, are unlikely but to come back in a few years to make the difference between and see what we have done." success and failure of a new company. More important is that Birmingham Technology before the successes,"

capital fund to help new the courage to work through companies get off the ground. that and have faith in what we The park offers close and vital are doing. The city always saw links with the university's this as having a 10 to 15 year management school and re- horizon. If an idea is not search facilities and academic working we will let the people staffs. Lack of cash, manage- know and somebody else can ment experience and R and D have a try. can kill a company at birth.

The science park idea is not new, Mr Harry Nicholls, the park's chief executive, said: "It took the industrial science park at Stanford in California about

Failures are expected. "The failures are likely to come offers access to its venture Nicholls said. "We have to have

> "A science park is the ultimate development in action learning. It only began to dawn on Birmingham industry in the last few years that its prosperity of the last 40 years was not a technology and enterprise gap and if we can create one small spot of success, then perhaps it will have a ripple effect.

> "We are trying to break down the barriers between our entre-preneurs and the universities so that businessmen can make good use of university facilities, particularly those for research. Many British graduates think only of working for a large company, not for themselves.

"As they see examples of high technology entrepreneurs down here doing work that is still challenging and makes money, then perhaps we will build that idea into their thought

Ideally, up to 25 small companies would occupy incubator units at the park, though space must be left for individual enterprises to expand. A typical company might spend two or three years in the first phase of the development, housed in a superbly refurbished, 100-yearold former factory warehouse.

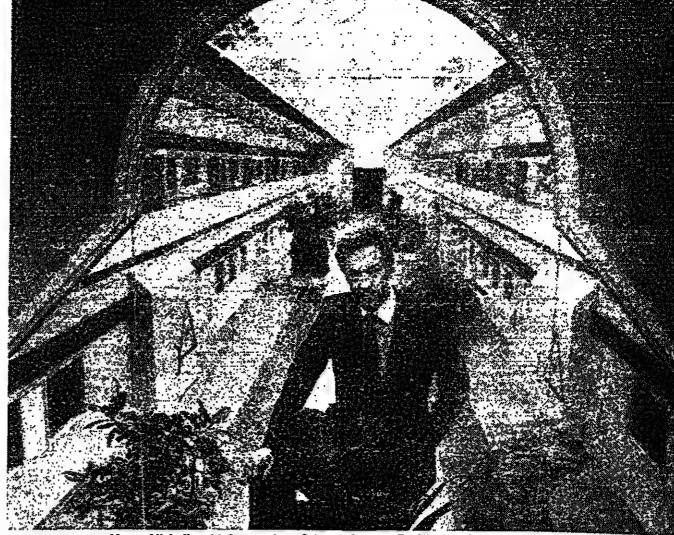
Perhaps after that the strengthening company could move into one of the larger, but still flexible, "venture units" which are planned alongside. After a period of around five years the successful company would be expected to move out of the rarefied atmosphere of

Mr Nicholls believes that will operate the university's new who favoured a green field site for the science park

Professor John Samuels, Pro vice chancellor and chairman of institute, said: designed for small and medium sized companies who want to take their research through to the development stage and perhaps to the prototype stage and they will be able to work on campus with academics. We have lots of ideas and industry

knows how to develop them."

A number of companies already are associated with the institute, including one formed by members of the university's medical school to manufacture



Harry Nicholis, chief executive of Aston Science Park: 'see what we have done

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# The rise of Tom Davenport

ess than two years ago Tom Davenport was redundant and a building society was pressing him hard for repayments on his mortgage. Today, he runs his own business, designing com-puter-aided engineering systems in the "incubator" atmosphere of Aston Science Park, employs nine people and expects to have a turnover of £250,000 next

**Davenport Computer Systems** is one of nine small companies using the facilities at the science park. Tom, a physics and engineering graduate, was made redundant by Dunlop, where he

rather than a development in

Birmingham inner city a mile from the centre were wrong.

Aston Science Park is within

minutes of the banking,

accounting and legal services a

new company needs, and is alongside both the management

school and university research

teams who work with the

More recently the University of Birmingham has formed its

own company to market the

expertise and ideas of its

research teams and to give

entrepreneurs and industry the

opportunity to work closely with academics. The company

fledgling enterprises.

Tom Davenport: a

company to fork out £12,000 to fund his own work on a computer system for designing tennis rackets, a system he realized had much wider appli-

After working in a back-bedroom of his home, he formed his own company in May last year and moved into the science park where he now employs six full-time staff and three part-time. including an Aston university student who undertakes re-search. Tom and his staff put together computer systems for

all types of manufacturing and also run training sessions. Although he did not need help from the park's venture capital fund, Tom says that the

facilities and advice at the park ere invaluable. "To start with, the name of the park really has some clout and it brought people to us who otherwise would not have come. The science park ethos will spread, I am sure." The other companies resident

at the park are PH Marshall. designing and manufacturing high technology quality control inspection systems: Techsonix (UK), developing and marketing a sonic digitizer system: Occupational Services, researching and developing techniques of selection and training to help mobility to new Job areas; Aston Technology, which has commenced British assembly operations for a new 68,000 based microcomputer product range; Tradewinner Systems, design-ing software systems for industry: Micro Modular Technology, the hardware distribution arm of Tradewinner; APL\*Plus, marketing computer software, and Condensing Boil-ers, which is developing a domestic heating system.



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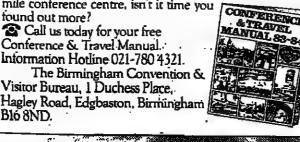
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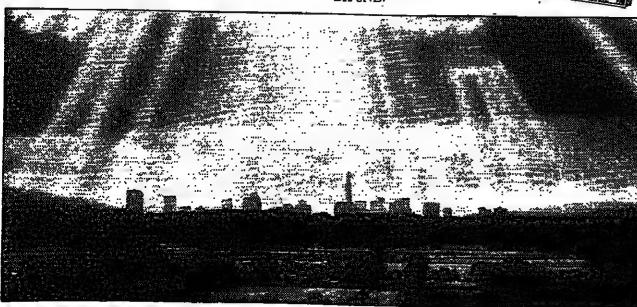
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The second city is already the best-served telecommunications centre outside London, British Telecom is offering an extensive range of services in the provinces, and good communi-cations with the capital, and the city is to be the hub of the Mercury communications net-

Still a major engineering and manufacturing centre. Birming-ham is developing into other business activities stimulated by the National Exhibition Centre and other developments within the city. All the major clearing banks have a strong presence in the city, and Standard Chartered and County Bank is among the merchant banks represented. Overseas banks have been attracted, and the United States banks have also been active.

The financial community has shown itself to be light on its feet, parrying the blows of the recession and restructuring itself for the better days ahead.

John Rice, assistant director of Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce, said the banking and financial community had seen the longterm prospects of Birmingham and the rest of the West Midlands as being more than

just encouraging.
"The last few years have seen a steady if undramatic growth in the number of foreign banks that have moved into Birming-ham", he said.

now the second major financial centre in the United Kingdom. even more overseas financial

David Drake, newly appointed regional director for Lloyds Bank, said it was trying to play a part in the regeneration of Birimingham. Lloyds has invested in Birmingham Technology, which runs Aston Science Part.

Mr Drake: said: "A slight improvement in the economic prospects for the region showed up to us last October, and significantly it has not gone away. We are quietly optimistic about the prospects for the next two or three years, although it will be a while before companies begin investing in fixed.

Lloyds Bank started in Birmingham in 1765. We see ourselves very much as a Birmingham bank. Mr Drake

The clearing banks starting to introduce CHAPS, the electronic same-day settlement system, and Mr. Drake said this had been received: enthusiastically by multi-nationals operating in the city. "For all practical purposes, Birmingham is as good as London for business houses dealing in Britain. Mr. Drake

Overseas banks have seen the potential of Birmingham as an international banking centre, and those in the city include Banque Nationale de Paris, the longest established French bank



There has been "some to-ing and fro-ing" by foreign based banks, in the words of Mr Roy Clifford, agent for the Bank of England in Birmingham, Citibank and other United States banks have been active, looking for business in the gap between United Kingdom clearing and merchant banks. They also go down well in the down-to-earth Midlands with their blunt

Mr Roy Mortimer, treasurer of the Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce, said: The US banks did a lot of homework about Midland companies, and found the right way to sell themselves."

Merchant banks have also established themselves in Birmingham. Standard Chartered arrived about 12 years ago when it detected the potential from developing export trade.

David Drake of Lloyds Bank with a bust of the bank's

founder Charles Lloyd: Birmingham will be

regenerated'

Manufacturing firms in the Midlands looked to the merchant banks for their expertise in handling financial trans-actions with firms abroad. They wanted someone nearer than London. Mr Mortimer said: "They did not mind the bank being in London when everything went smoothly, but they wanted someone in their own city to turn to when, as increasingly happens when you start exporting, things begin to

go wrong."

The heart of Birmingham's financial life is its Stock Exchange – the only one in the country where visitors can walk around the trading floor. It was founded in 1845 during the railway boom which led to the opening of stock exchanges outside London. The strong entrepreneurial spirit of Bir-ningham people sent them scrambling for a share in the railway companies.

#### Revived asset

The tailway boom quickly faded, but it left Birmingham with the asset of the Stock Exchange, which was revived by the new bicycle industry in the 1890s. The birth of the motor industry which followed was to play a vital part in the development of all Birmingham's financial institutions.

Birmingham has been an important insurance centre.

important insurance centre since the middle of the nine-teenth century, when Britannic Assurance and Wesleyan and General started up in the city, and have kept their head-quarters there ever since.

Britannic is one of Britain's big five insurance groups, and this summer it embarks on its most ambitious promotional campaign since it was founded

in 1866. For the next three years it will sponsor the county cricket championship.

Like the Prudential, Britan-nic started as a home service company, selling policies direct to families and sending a man round once a week to collect the premium. Britannic still sees home service (or "industrial insurance") as the basis of its business, and has an army of business, and has an army of 3,000 full-time reps. It still gives a personal service and does not deal through brokers, but has now developed into a full range

of insurance services. The city also has its own building society which, since a merger with a West Country rival two years ago, has been the Birmingham and Bridgwater. Many Birmingham people spend holidays and weekends in the West Country and often retire there, so there are strong links between the two regions.

Mr Michael O'Neilli, general manager since the merger, says the advantage of a smaller society is that it can make decisions more quickly than large ones, and its senior staff is more accessible.

21 missions produce £6.6m in orders

 Birmingham Chamber Industry and Commerce, formed in 1813, is the largest chamber outside London and represents about 4,000 companies. Since 1965 it has organized about 300 outward trade missions to most parts of the world. According to information given in the House of Commons, the chamber's 21 missions in 1982 and in the first half of 1983 reported £6.6m in orders taken and £1.40m as potential follow-up business.

in Birmingham, with offices in the suburbs reflecting the trend for families to shop more often near their homes instead of travelling to the centre.

Placed as it is in the centre of England, Birmingham has obvi-ous geographical advantages. Partly for this reason - and also because of major Birmingham firms like Lucas and the Austin All the major building Rover Group - it is developing societies have a strong presence into the most sophisticated

telecommunications outside London.

Walsall and Brownhills, towns to the north of Birmingham, were the first to have a fibre optic link installed by British Telecom, which two years ago opened the longest such link - between Birming-ham and London. The link (strands of high quality glass thinner than a human hair) carry telephone conversations between Birmingham busi-nesses and the capital, with a high quality of sound and no chance of a crossed line.

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year into the local economy.

The boast that the NEC has confounded the critics who warned that a major exhibition centre outside London could not work is likely to be heard, with increasing frequency in the corridors of Birmingham City Council, which put up the original cash.

That is because the council is pushing shead with another ambitious plan an international convention centre for Birmingham costing about £121m. Three quarters of the cost, about £90m, will be met by the city council and the remainder is to come from the

private sector.

The Labour group on the Tory-controlled council say they will go ahead with the convention centre "provided the finance is available." As they may take control of the city council in the May elections their view is crucial. But, in a city that has prided itself on its rate-cutting budgets, there is still some worry that a £90m investment by the authority in such a scheme could overstretch resources.

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Council leaders also dismiss suggestions that an inter-national convention centre would take business away from the NEC, which was designed specifically for larger exhi-bitions, trade shows and prod-uct launches in its 100,000 quare metres of space.

The convention centre will be specifically designed to handle meetings of less than 4,000 or 5,000 and already its promoters have their eyes on study group, small company and international society meetings, many of them held for numbers of less than 1,000.

Mr Philipe Taylor is chief executive of the Birmingham

The £50m National Exhibition Convention and Visitor Bureau which was set up out of a partnership between and city and private groups catering for business meetings and travel.

He estimates that business tourism is already worth about £160m a year to the local economy, most of it from the NEC, and believes there is plenty of opportunity to bring additional cash into the area through the convention centre.

If all goes according to plan.

its construction would start next year and the city is looking for a completion date in 1989. Mr Taylor estimates that up to 80 per cent of British conference ousiness is made up of meetings of less than 500 people and that the centre will be in an ideal position to compete for such gatherings.

Just as the NEC made its enemies in snatching lucrative other centres and still pitches hard for more, the convention centre will compete ruthlessly and certain British cities and towns after the same business are well aware of the threat looming large on the horizon. Mr. Taylor said: "Birming-

ham is probably the one loca authority in Britain with the biggest capital stake in business tourism."

The city was now aiming to ncrease its share of meetings of international associations and study groups, such as the International Society of Physiological Societies, which has 1,200 delegates from all over the world, the international Association of Radiological Societies and the International

Association of Chiefs of Police.
The NEC now has land available to expand by 50 per cent to about 150,000 square metres its floor space when the economic climate and incoming business dictate. The NEC attracts about 2.5m visitors a year, but it wants many more.

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**Index falls** 

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Shares fell over a wide front vesterday with the FT 30 share index suffering its worst reverse for seven months. It lost 14.6 points as markets worsied, shout this markets

worried about this week's sudden flood of rights issues and the continuing possibility of cash-consuming Government

Sharply improved profits

from some of our top companies failed to steady the market and

profit takers decided to cash in

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progress... The selling gather pace as the day progressed. At the first

nt the FT Index was off -

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the recent share upsurge.
Only one FT 30
constituent, Bowater,

just 0.2 points at 889.4.

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#### FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

# A precedent is set for deferred tax treatment

because of the tax changes affecting their leasing business was reinforced by Standard Chartered's results yesterday. Standard has decided to make full provision for British deferred tax arising from leasing in its accounts after allowing for a 35 per cent corporation tax rate; the result is a £36m extraordinary charge. The Standard board clearly believes it will have to pay all the deferred tax piled up in its balance sheet, at some stage in the future, albeit at a lower corporation tax rate. Leasing has not been such an important tax shelter for Standard Chartered as it was for the big clearing banks, but it is hard to see how they can now logically reach a different conclusion about deferred tax liabilities. National Westminster, for instance, shares an auditor with Standard Chartered in the form of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell.

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If the clearers take the same line it would mean extraordinary provisions in the order of £1 to £1.5 billion, which would have damaging effect on balance sheet ratios. Rights issues would surely follow. It is not surprising that Standard & Poor's, the US credit rating agency, has out Barclays. Midland and National Westminster on its Creditwatch list, which indicates there could be a change in their credit ratings.

At least one of the big four is at present veering to the view that the extra provisions might be spread over several years, which would certainly soften the blow. And the stock market is divided between those who think the gloom has been overdone and those who believe the full impact has yet to sink in. The first indication of how the clearers intend to tackle the problem seems unlikely to emerge before their annual meetings,

#### On the look-out for an ill wind

Pity the mortals charged with overseeing the Government's monetary targets. On the finest of days they must be searching the skies for signs of an impending storm. Though on the face of it the Government's new target bands for broad and narrow money look eminently achievable, those professional pessimists in the Treasury and the Bank of England are already on the lookout for clouds.

On the international side, the United States is the main worry. While it is fashionable to talk of "decoupling" British interest rates from the Americans', there is a limit to how far this can go without upsetting sterling and dulling the market's appelite for government stock, the chief instrument for keeping broad money growth within bounds. At the very least, events across the Atlantic threaten to put a floor on rates, here at close to present levels. On the domestic side, the chief concern is bank lending to the private sector - and more particularly the personal sector - which has been the key determinant of broad money growth over the past couple of years.

The latest analysis of bank lending by the Bank of England is tantalizingly opaque on what is happenig now, because definitional changes have made comparisons with previous figures unreliable.

The encouraging news is that personal lending is not accelerating and may be slowing down. In the three months to mid-February lending for house purchase (not seasonally adjusted) rose £554m (4 per cent) about two-thirds the typical increase last year. Lending for other items rose by £516m (4 per cent), also rather less than last year. Nevertheless, consumer borrowing from banks is expected to stay fairly buoyant in the coming months.

The less welcome news, for the monetary guardians, is that there appears to have been a pickup in lending to manufacturing after a year in which industry actually repaid bank debt. (However, of the £930m - 5 per cent increase, an exceptional £440m was in food, drink and tobacco.)

The Government is hoping that cashrich companies will pay for the expected investment surge this year and next out of their own coffers or will turn to the capital markets, encouraged by the Budget measures. But the effect of suddenly accelerated investment programmes, as companies rush to take advantage of short-lived capital allowances, could yet

# Fighting over the US tiger

The Distillers Company (DCL) is in the process of buying a drinks distributor in the United States. Arthur Bell & Sons, its much smaller scotch whisky competitor, has just bought one. Both may be climbing astride a tiger. For DCL, the purchase of Somerser Importers for an expected price \$300m is essentially a defensive move, despite the fact that it is the company's first big corporate takeover in years.

Somerset already distributes and largely relies for its profits on DCL's Johnnie Walker Red and Black Labels. This exclusive contract is up for review in the summer and Somerset is for sale following the takeover of its parent group last

But Arthur Bell's purchase of Wellington Importers for \$16.5m is a highly ambitious move. DCL brands collectively dominate the giant if mature US scotch whisky market. Arthur Bell: which dominates the home market, has in the words of its chairman, Mr Raymond Miquel, "a 0.00001 per cent share in the US" and wants much more.

Mr Miguel is as ambitious for growth there as he was in Britain 10 years ago. Half-year figures from his company vesterday show why. Pretax profits are once again up - from £17.6m to £19.1m and in the second half the group expects to make more than the £13.7m it recorded last time. The interim dividend is being increased by 12 per cent to 1.4p.

But despite the undoubted quality of

Arthur Bell management and a constant marketing drive that would exhaust most of its competitors, Arthur Bell's growth both at home and in established export markets is clearly slowing down.

At home the group claims to have held volume sales during the seound half of last year. It also claims to have held its market share at something over 20 per cent, despite the Johnnie Walker Red Label

Exports, on the other hand, fell by 4 per

There is strong reason for both Bell's and DCL's plans in the United States, but neither can be awarded points for the dollar will eat deep into scotch profit margins and could force price increases with a knock-on effect on volumes. The health lobby in the United States is beginning to turn its attentions to hard liquor, and it is uncertain what the long-term effect of any concerted campaign would be.

Far more serious, however, is the possibility that Federal excise tax on spirits will be raised substantially for the first time in more than 30 years. It is election year so its is unlikely to happen until 1985. Some have suggested it will then double as one way of reducing the budget deficit. This would be extremely serious for DCL and would stop in its tracks any marketing drive that Bell launches. Bell believes that the maximum likely rise is 30 per cent. DCL must be hoping it is right.

#### Time to clarify takeover code

The Takeover Panel, in preparing its new simplified rule book, ahould do at least two things: rationalize regulations governing substantial acquisitions of shares and simplify the rules for raising a bidder's stake from 30 per cent to over 50 per cent in a takeover battle. Both are complex and confusing, and now largely

redundant. The rules on substantial share acquisitions were introduced by the Council for the Securities Industry to deal with "dawn raids." Originally, a predator could buy up to 30 per cent of a company in one market swoop. The most famous dawn raid was Mr Harry Oppenheimer's purchase of 30 per cent of Consolidated Gold Fields. Today the limit is 15 per cent initially. All purchases thereafter are also regulated.

# Debt-laden Bowater spins off US business with cash call

By Philip Robinson

Bowater Corporation, once premier newsprint company, vesterday appounced it was spinning off its North American print and pulp business into a separate com-pany, to be quoted on Wall The

announcement companied a one-for-eight rights issue at 215p to raise \$41m, and news that pretax profits for the year to end December rose by almost a third to \$40m. third to £40m.

Ingram Lenion, the managing director who will also succeed Lord Erroll of Hale as chairman on completion of the North American demerger, made it clear that the British end of Bowater would become

aggressive predators on com-pletion of the deal.

Bowater itself has been tipped as a takeover target for three years. Retained profits and patchy trading failed to feed the cash-hungry North American newsprint operation, and as a result divdends were cut and

AT & T to

join world

market

From Nick Gilbert, New York

cations company, yesterday announced its long-awaited entry into the worldwide com-

The company is offering six

models including desk-top

It is leading manufacturer of computers in the US, based on

its UNIX operating system; but

sales have been restricted to the

Bell system telephone com-

US operating companies from

January 1 this year. The company is now free to sell

computers worldwide and is set

to challenge IBM and Digital

According to AT&T's vice-chairman, Mr James Olson, the

company will be tackling the

European market, including the

Britain, in conjunction with

AT&T took a large stake in

the Italian company three

months ago in order to compete

in the rapidly-growing market

Mr Olson said: "Our pricing

Initially, AT&T will be

selling its computer range to original equipment manufac-

turers for resale and to a limited

to move as fast as we can to

make our products available to all types of customers."

The AT&T's UNIX-based products are aimed at a part of

the information market which

Life insurers

**Budget curb** 

The life insurance industry last night launched a strong

attack on the Budget proposal to remove tax relief on life

policy premiums.
In a letter to the Chancellor,

the Life Offices Association and

the Associated Scottish Life.
Offices say: "The removal of
this relief - over a century old will discourage an essential
form of prudent saving for old

age or early death among

millions of ordinary people.

The many small savers who

put aside modest sums per month towards life premiums

are hardly likely to turn to

direct investment through the

and the effect might be to

reduce the amount of long-term

savings available for invest-

there was 15 per cent income tax on life premiums of up to £1,500 a year or a sixth of income, whichever was the

Until March 13, Budget day

attack

is expected to produce a revenue of \$7 billion by 1986.

number of large end users. But Mr Olson'said: "We

for office automation products.

strategy is simple. We aim to

match or beat the industry's

But AT&T was divested of its

supermicro computer.

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Equipment

AT&T, the US telecommuni-



borrowings pushed to a record

North America needs to spend \$450m (£310m) on capital equipment over the next three years. Demerging the operation from London will give the British arm almost £100m in assets, trade-mark les and dividend agreements with the new North American

The demerger, with proceeds from the rights issue, will bring to Bowater in Britain £140m, to reduce debts and pay for expansion.

The Bowater Corporation will be split between Bowater Inc and Bowater Industries. Bowater Inc. will be floated on Wall Street at a price between \$18 and \$22 a share, giving it a market capitalization between \$525m and \$620m.

The capital structure will mean that sale fo 25 per cent of the shares of Bowater Inc. will bring in fresh capital of between \$130m and \$160m, and the remainder will be distributed to existing Bowater Corporation shareholders, probably on the basis of one new Bowater Inc share for every ten already held.

Completion of the demerger will reduce debts of Bowater Industries from £261m to £35m; Dr-Lenton said the Bowater

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£40m, against £30.2m last time on sales which rose from £1.56 billion to £1.62 billion. How-ever, it has written off £95,2m below the line in anticipated losses of companies which will closed or sold. As a result £67.9m has been transferred from reserves to meet a total

payout unchanged at 7.75p.

A profits breakdown for the two separate companies shows that Bowater Inc's group trading profits on pulp paper and timber has gone from an annual £47.6m to £60.1m in the five years to the end of 1983, with almost 70 per cent of sales and operating profit coming from

Trading profits of Bowater Industries, which includes packaging, tissue products, building products, merchanting, paper and pulp have gone from an annual £51.3m to £51.4m over the same period.

In the stock market yesterday the shares rose 22p to 300p at

#### STOCK EXCHANGES

FT-SE 100 index:1101.9. down 17.8 High: 1117.3. Low: 1099.9 FT index: 875.0 down 14.6 FT Glits: 86.21 up 0.02 Bargains: 28.88 Datastrium USM Leaders Index: 114.08 down 0.7 New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: (latest) 1151.70 down

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10.528.36 up 44.63 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1131.25 down 25.70 Amsterdam: 167.3 down 0.3 Sydney: AO Index 736.2 up 4.0 Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 1024.2 down 5.1 Brussels: General Index 146.32 up

Paris: CAC Index 162.5 down 0.6 Zurich: SKA General 305.40 up 1.40

**CURRENCIES** 

LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$1.4560 up 1.10 cents index 80.3 unchanged DM 3.7550 down 0.01

Dollar Index 125.9 down 0.02 DM 2.6042 down 0.0193 **NEW YORK LATEST** Sterling \$1.4525 Dollar DM 2.5820

FrF 11.56 down 0.03 Yen 325.50 up 0.50

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates Bank base rates 8½ Finance houses base rate 9½ Discount market loans week fixed

Eurocurrency rates: 3 month dollar 101 10% 3 month DM 5% 5% 3 month FrF 15-14% US rates Bank onme rate 11.50 Treasury long bond 961/29-9613/29 **ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export** 



per cent, of shareholders' funds last year.

# Record BAe £82m disappoints the City

Aerospace and a generally bullish statement from the "chairman". Sir Austin Pearce, still failed to live up to the City's expectations yesterday. BAc's shares fell by 9p to

225p after the company's full-year results for 1983 showed pretax profits of £82.3m. some way short of market hopes for £90m.

A year ago BAe took the City aback with a £15.3m pretax loss, following a one-off pro-vision of £100m to cover potential future losses on its civil aviation programme. Since then the shares, first sold to the public at 150p in February 1981, as part of the Government's privatization programme, have ralliedsharply.
Sir Ausun said last year was

good averall, with turnover up 12 per cent, exports up.7.5 per cent and the order book up by 16 per cent. There were "a lot of reasons to be optimistic for

Cash flow was positive by a small margin last year and the balance sheet was still liquid, he said. The final dividend is being increased by just under 8 per

cent, to 9.1p share. unenanged at Ellem after

# Record profits from British redundancy and reorganization erospace and a generally costs of £33.7m; more than utilish statement from the double the 1982 figure. The

underlying improvement operating profit was about 12 per cent, while written-off launch costs amounted to £42.6m (£49.2).

BAe expects to cut its workforce by another 2,000 this year, to 75,500. Sir Austin said he hoped to announce more orders for the short-haul 100-scaler model 146 alriiner shortly. A government decision on a new trainer aircraft for the RAF, in which BAe is interested, is not however expected until next year.

The £100m civil aviation provision, intended to cover years. was left unchanged

BAe denied reports that it -would be harmed by Budger changes on capital allowances stock relief. Taking the abolition of the national insurance surcharge into account it expects to be better

off over the next three years. The government decision to back the A320 Airbus and BAe's advanced turboprop jet had completed . the company's

#### **Debts drain** on Standard Chartered

By Peter Wilson-Smith

Banking Correspondent Heavy bad debt provisions in Hongkong and a disappointing performance from commercial banking branches in Britain អេីពាmed trimmed profits growth at Standard Chartered Bank last

Pretax profits rose from £242m to £268m, less than expected, and there was also some disappointment in the stock market at the size of the dividend. An 18.5p final left the year's dividends 3.7 per cent nigher at 28p.

Bad debt provisions were up from £83m to £134m. The specific provision for clearly identified problems was up from £70m to £108m, while general provisions doubled to The group is hopeful that bad

debts will fall this year, and 3 month interbank 814 to 81/4 apart from some reservations about South Africa is generally more optimistic.
Hongkong branches slipped from profits of around £30m to

break even after setting aside about £20m of bad debt provisions. This largely re-flected customers' involvement in the property market and over reference-rate for interest period big textile group.

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#### **Profits soar** at Delta Delta Group, the Midlands

engineering concern, reported a jump in pretax profits to £32m (£14m) for the year to end December. Earnings per share rose just under 10p to 13p, and a recommended divident of 1.93p brings the year's total payment to 3.75p (3.40).

Tempus, page 24

Reckitt & Colman, the foods, household products and pharmaceuticals group. creased pretax profits to £88.76m for 1983, on turnover profits of £981m, up from £81,25m in 1982. A dividend of 7.85p makes a total of 12.4 for the year (10.75p). Tempus, page 24
Octopus, Mr Paul Hamiyn's book publishing company floated on the stock market a year ago, reported pretax profits for the year to end December from £4.8m to £6.3m. A dividend of op is recommendcd. making a total for the year

GOLD

Tempus, page 24

London fixed (per ounce): am \$389.10 pm \$388.85 close \$388.75-\$389.25 (\$267-New York (latest): \$387.45

#### **NEWS IN BRIEF** Order near

#### for Harland Harland and Wolff, the state-

owned Belfast shipbuilder, is confident of winning a £50m order for two of its newly designed, automated container ships from the Lykes Brothers Steamship Company in the United States. Lykes signed a letter of intent

to buy the pair in London yesterday, and took an option for four others.

 Ciyde Petroleum claims it is close to a deal worth more than £160m with British Gas to buy the Wytch Farm offshore oilfield in Dorset, and that what is needed is the Government's political will. Clyde reported profits of £10.09m for 1983. The board is recommending a dividend of 0.9075p.

 Testing started yesterday on the third well drilled by Gulf Oil in the Celtic Sea. renewing speculation in Ireland that block 49/9, 20 miles off Wexford, could be viable commercially. The results are expected next month.

#### Regan urges Fed to sustain growth From Bailey Morris, Washington

Mr Donald Regan, the US special White House briefing, as

Treasury Secretary, yesterday the powerful Open Mar'et urged the Federal Reserve Board to supply sufficient money to the economy to sustain growth at the 4.3 per monetary strategy over the next several wheels. cent rate which is expected by the Administration. Mr Regan, mirroring the increasing concern of White House officials, said that de-

spite stronger-than-expected growth in the first quarter of 7.2

per cent, the US economy was not overheating and should not

several weeks.

White House officials, concerned by the rise in interest rates and the nervous perform ance of financial markets feared that the central bank planned to take a decision to check growth in the weeks be reined in by the central bank. ahead 10 He issued his appeal at a inflation. ahead to avoid a resurgence of

#### Firms face inflation rule

By Iap Criffithi

inflation accounting infor-mation in their annual reports if Accounting Standards

All public limited companies The statement of intent will be forced to disclose proposes a new accounting standard which will require companies to disclose infor-Committee approves a draft mation about the impact of statement of intent at today's inflation on their results in a note to the accounts.

# Second cash call dents index

By Derek Pain

prospect of more privitization sales put shares in ragged retreat

yesterday The £41m Bowater Corporation cash call, coming a day flat with falls throughout the after Exco's £68m exercise, unsettled the market and any lingering hesitant buying enthusiasm was quickly suffocated as rumours grew that another big cash call would be an- and Grand Metropolitan 6p nounced today.

News of a summer share flotation for Jaguar Cars, with the British Telecom sale due in October, was another dampening influence on the market. Profit-takers, with heady

gains to pocket, took their toll.

apping the confidence which hitherto had been so strong. Although Bowater helped to cause the general decline, shares of the packaging and paper group turne in a firm performance as the market warmend to its US demerger plands. At one time the shares were up 22p at 300'p but they could not entirely

and finished at 294p. Even some splendid comny results and a good set of trade tigures failed to inspire shares. Bowater was the only con-stituent of the FT-30 share

escape the more sombre mood

index, which fell 14.6 points to 875 points, to make progress. Gilts, however, were little changed. The inflation stocks

were in demand, with the 21/2 per cent index linked 2020 ising half a point to £891/2. Bank shares remained subdued by soverign debt worries.

insurances shares managed to claw back some of their earlier. falls, inspired by the Equity and Law results. The shares were up

to 60p on the increased cutomers wanting to take involvement of the Australian advantage of cheaper finance.

Rights issues - real and Bond Corporation after the imagined - and the daunting rights issue flop. With only 38.7 bucked the slide. Micro Basiper cent of the rights taken up. Bond, as underwriter, ends up

with 30.8 per cent of the capital. Elsewhere, brewers remained list. The majors, which have recorded heady gains since the The company declared that it Budget, were hit particularly hard with Allied-Lyons down 5p at 170p: Bass 10p off at 353p lower at 324p.

The bid for Border Breweries (Wreyham) has drawn attention to Wales' other quoted brewery. Buckley's of Llancli. Despite soher trading prospects the shares have out-performed other regional breweries this month. gaining 8p to yesterday's 56p. Whitbread, which helped Thompson Marston. Exershed take over Border, has un interest in Buckley's and may attempt another Welsh

Belhaven Brewery, down lp 38p, is parting company with Mr Eric Morley, chairman, who will collect £30,000 compensation, In October 1978, Mr Morley resigned as a director of Grand Motropolitan with a £200,000 "golden handshake)). Mr Nazmu Virani, whose family hotel and property company has more then 29 per cent of Belhaven, becomes

chairman. Atlantic Computers gained 25p to 480p with profits nearly doubled at £5.2m. The group is benefiting from a windfall profits increase after the latest interest rate reductions. Since rates were lowered this month, 3p at 7-40p. the company says has been Airship Industries gained 2p inundated with orders from

COGNAC COURVOISIER Le Cognac de Vapoléen

ness Systems returned from its suspension in spectacular style. hitting 475p against the 390p halt price. MMT Computers

have jumped 68p since Friday. was "unawarw of any circumstances which would justify such a movement". NMW Computers, however, fell 17p to 248p on profit after

the figures. Exco International remained sensitive on its £68m cash call. falling another 25p to 493p. Baltic Leasing suffered on profit-taking after figures, down 26p at 251p, but Glynwed International figures next month, gained 7p to 158p and

Laird Group, also due to report

next month, rose 8p to 126p. The rise in the share price of property-to-building group C. H. Beazer (Holdings) to a peak of 364p, up 4p, was explained by vesterday's news that interim pretax profits soared from £2.2m to £4.8m on a turnover up from £27,2m to £60.8m. The interim dividend is raised from 3p to 3.5p. That increase partly

Mr Christopher Selmes, the controversial financier of the 1970s, is rumoured to be the huyer of 2 per cent of Birmid Qualcast, the lawnmower group, Large lines of stock have changed hands recently on talk of a takeover bid. Birmid's shares were trummed 4p to 104p vesterday as profit tokens moved

takes in 1983's takeover of property group, Second City

Mr Brian Beazer, chairman,

The born leader

Other computer shares also are expected with a 15 per cent increase in the dividend. The second half is usually better than the first and added to that will be the £1m profit contribution from Mansall Newall, jumped 48p to 213p. The shares taken over in the first half. The group is staying on the takeover trail while also expanding its housebuilding activities, particularly in the inner cities, where Mr Beazer sees renewed

demand because of the congestion in surrounding suburbs. Dealings started yesterday on the USM in W, and J. Tod, a spin-off from Beazer. Placed at 143p. the shares of this reinforced plastics group touched

186p but slipped 5p today. Although International Carpets has at last stemmed the tide of heavy losses with a deficit before tax of £630,000 compared to last year's deficit of £5.58m it failed to impress and shares slipped back by 3p to

For the fourth year in a row there was no dividend payment. The management claims to have an aggressive plan for 1984 which it hopes will afford

further recovery

Dufay, the paints group, fell
2p to 24p on the 20 per cent profits decline. Myson, the air conditioning concern, gained 6p to 68p on its trebled profits: British Car Auctions rose 5p to 121p on the back of its 43 per cent profits increase and John-son Group, the dry cleaner. gained 9p to 353p its 12.5 per cent profits advance. Ricardo Consulting Engineers retreated 8p to 100p on its 34 per cent

profits decline. Blockhouse and its bankers have changed sides in the battle for control of the company. Yesterday they agreed to rec-ommend a £9.2m cash and forecasts a good full year where shares takeover bid from Mr

#### Intervision profit plunges By Philip Robinson

Intervision Video, which announced a week ago it was raising £1m from shareholders, vesterday disclosed that its traditional film distribtion business had plunged into the red.

For the six months to the end of last December, turnover almost halve from £3.3m and pretax profits fell from £420,000 to £65.000. But this disguised a £38,000 loss on video and cinema film distribution which made a £420,000 profit last time.

What kept the pretax profits in the black was £103,000 from a new video leasing business and £107,000 from one transactions, not detailed in the company's statement, but involving licensing of certain

The shares eased Ip to 27p before recovering to close unchanged at 28p. Intervision, which came to the Unlisted Securities Market a year ago, is not paying an interim dividend. It is extending its financial year by five months to next November 30 and says it will further consider the possibility

of any dividend payments then, Last November, after a delay over the level of tax to be charged in retained profits for the 12 months to the end of last June. Extraordinary charges of £217,000 brought the bottom line figure down from £659.000

For the first of the present year the tax charge is £26,000 against £209,000 last time. But after recent Budget changes in capital allowance rates, provision for deferred tax is

The dramatic improvement from putting video libraries into garages, tobacconists and off-licences reported four months ago suddenly tailed off in the pretax profits of at least £10.7m. Swraj Paul's Caparo Industries. last few months of last year.

#### **TEMPUS**

# Delta blows the froth off official growth cheer

services - are firmly tied to the months. British housing and general economic cycle, so comments that demand for electrical and ted, if indeed it happens at all, True, the group managed volume gains of as much as ? per cent, but only in certain

areas, and the general picture is patchy. Full credit, therefore, to Delta for putting its house in order to meet any boom which happens along. The visible impact of the recent restructuring showed through in an actual cut in 1983 operating costs of some £8m, and this looks to provide the base for sustainable profits growth, rather than the boost to pretay profits of some of the one-off elements, like lower redundancy charges; metal stock profits: and a boost to second half profits of £1.3m on

copper contract. Some of the divisional gains look speciacular. Fluid Con-trols, the plumbing side, saw £10.6m, while the metals division as a whole saw its pretax figure rise from £1.5m to £6.5m, although the metals gain was achieved on lower

termination of a long-term

But Delta emphasizes that its divisional recovery is coming from a low base, and as if to confirm the point, is increasing the total payout for the year only marginally, from 3.4p to 3.75p. The share price jumped 14p on the figures vesterday to 94p, and already brokers are pinning some raffish profits forecasts, in some cases as high as £42m (1983:£32m), to the group for 1984. Delta's response is to downplay the whole idea of instant growth, and point rather to its peristent capital which apparently is switching the whole group cost base away

Delta Group, the Midland from labour intensity. On metal-bashers, added a dash of acquisitions, the tone is equally reality yesterday to some of the cautious - only if they fit, and Westminster talk about only if they are cheap enough. exponential British growth. With its eves fixed on the Delta's four main divisions - longer term, the group looks set electrical gear, plumbing, cop- to ride out any hiccups in the per products and resource growth cycle of the next 12

#### Reckitt & Colman

plumbing products is no more Reckitt & Colman continues to than reasonable, with metals reap the benefits of improved just slightly improved, paint efficiency, tighter cash control the British industrial heartland and a more steamlined operin grey. A sales gain on the year ation. It has squeezed profit of 1 per cent to £513m also margins up to 9.1 per cent at a rams the point home that time when there is great recovery from Britain's indus- resistance to price increases, trial recession will be protrac- particularly on foods, and has generated enough cash to reduce net borrowings by more

than £18m. A much larger proportion of this reduction is now financed by cash generated from trading operations rather than disposals of businesses or fixed assets, an indication that the company is now better placed to finance its expansion intern-

Once again. Reckitt has chosen to split the net reduction between building up its short term deposits and bank balances and reducing loans and overdrafts. With net interest payments now down to a meagre £2.5m the incentive to reduce bank loans further is diminished substantially.

The policy of internally financed expansion is best illustrated in North America where the food profits are being ploughed back into developing a household prodprofits jump from £1.3m to uct business. The spearhead for this assault is the aptly named Bully lavatory cleaner. It has the awesome task of taking on Proctor & Gamble on its home ground and has so far performed remarkably well. After parallel trial tests Reckitt launched Bully nationally in August but P & G are yet to follow suit.

With a total US lavatory cleaning market of \$200m to play for P & G will not rest on their laurels for too long and Reckitt's \$17m marketing budget for Bully might need an It has been a shrewd move

uplift when the pace hots up. on Reckitt's part to move into this market so early. Not only is it relatively untapped but it also has a tremendouus growth potential. Americans spend throughout the rest representation of the amount on lavatory cleaners and half that of the British. The market

cent a year.

Success from Bully is critical to Reckitt. If the product establishes itself it will provide a springboard for the launch of a string of household products and allow the company to take a firm foothold in this US market. Failure will not only drain resources from the foods division but also force a a complete rethink of the household products strategy in the

The results clearly impressed the stock market which lifted the share price by 15p to a high for the year of 483p.

#### Octopus Publishing Group

Mr Paul Hamlyn's Octopus Publishing Group has been accused of selling books like soap powder. Mr Hamlyn prefers the description of selling them like newspapers and magazines, aiming at the widest possible distribution.

The formula, if unorthodox book publishing circles. plainly works. Pretax profits in the year to the end of December rose 31 per cent from £4.8m to £6.3m. The with order levels both at home and overseas noticeably higher than a year ago.
Analysts' hopes that profits

will grow by at least a quarter a year for the foreseeable future are clearly not going to be

disappointed this year.
The concept of selling full colour hardback books, usually published in conjunction with a well-known household name like Vogue, through previously untapped book-selling outlets such as Marks and Spencer and Sainsburys, was exported by Octopus with increasing success last year.

Establishing similar links with comparable retail names in the United States and Australia enabled the groups to take full advantage of a general upturn in the publishing business in the second six months of last year.

The group sold about 21.5 million books last year, well up on the year before.

The ratings put on Octopus shares - which appear to have survived the abortive bid for W N Sharpe relatively unscathed - is predictably exotic. . At 625p they yield just 1.4 per cent and stand on a price/earn-ings ratio of 26 after a 38 per cent tax charge.

#### MONEY MARKETS

Period rates softened by about ½: per cent where Shares were advancing broadly 1156; changed. The early morning saw in heavy trading. The Dow Adv with buyers picking up sterling certificates of deposit in most periods up to one year.

Sentiment had been helped by a slight improvement across the Atlantic overnight, and by the better performance of the

Interbank, overnight money changed hands at about 85 per cent for much of the day, although the close was quite tight with dealings up to 10 per cent in places.

The Bank of England was again quite accomodating in its operations to relieve a shortage of credit that increased from £350m to about £400m.

Government help totalling £388m enabled most of the houses to square their books at between 8 per cent and 81/2 per cent, although the unfortunate few were required to pay up to 9 per cent for balances.

#### **FOREIGN EXCHANGES**

A healthy set of trade figures came too late yesterday to make any difference to sterling's closing trade-weighted index. which ended unchanged at 80.3. but the pound gained more than a cent at the finish to close at 1,4560 (1,4450).

it was also at its best levels of the day against continental Dealers said the market was

uneasy about the dollar ahead of Thursday's trade figures, which they expect will show a deficit of about \$9 billion (£6.25 billion).

Good West German figures pushed the dollar down from an opening, level near Dm2.5880, and sent it down to Dm2.5780 at the close.

It lost 84 centimes against French francs to Fr7.94 and fell 1.65 centimes on Swiss francs at Sfr2.1405, easing against the yen as well at Y223.15 (224.60).

#### Base Lending Rates

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Consolidated Crds .... 9%
Continental Trust .... 9%
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#### WALL STREET

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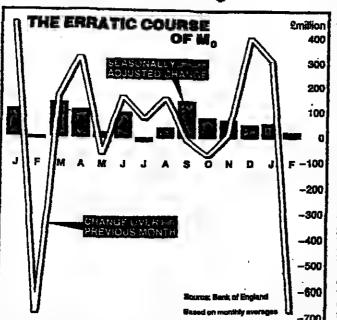
# Beware Treasury's false new religion of Mo

A new era has dawned in British monetary policy. Weekly figures for a money aggregate known as Ma are now being estimated. If the Budget speech is to be netieved, the behaviour of Ma is to have as much importance for policy-makers as the monthly figures for sterling M3. figures for sterling M3.

Since the money supply is almost a secular deity to the Thatcher government, the move towards weekly estimation deserves interpretation and comment. A ritual held every week demonstrates greater attachment to the faith than one held every month. The inten-tion must be to demonstrate to unbelievers the sincerity and devotion of the high priests of

However, the weekly announcement of M<sub>0</sub> is not a solemn official occasion. The figure will not be published by the Bank of England, except at the more traditional monthly intervals. In fact, there are several places of worship and, as tends to happen with all religion, interdenominational sparring has already broken out

The places of worship are stockbrokers' offices in the City. available for most, but not quite publish a weekly return of its all. of Ma constituents. To be more specific. Ma consists of notes and coins, both in



circulation with the public and held in banks' tills, and banks' operational balances with the stockbrokers' offices in the City. Bank, Since the Bank Charter The conflict arises because complete weekly data are England has been obliged to assets and liabilities. This weekly return gives information on the note issue and bankers'

balances, but not on coins. The coin issue is instead the responsibility of the Royal

Unfortunately, the Royal Mint does not publish any weekly figures. Here lies the disputation. The level of the coin issue between monthly

make-up days is not known and has to be assumed.

It is no exaggration to say that the gap between the various estimates may sometimes amount to 0.02 or even 0.03 per cent of M<sub>0</sub>. Although the stockbrokers observing the sacrament of weekly M<sub>0</sub> may not in their heart of hearts believe that the path to monetary virtue is so straight and narrow, their clients will

want to see a figure, an outward sign of inner grace, before they put anything in the collecting It is a plausible surmise that many stockbrokers – who, to be honest, are more interested in the collecting bowl than inner grace – will start preparing weekly estimates of Mo. The practice, if not the devotion,

will soon become general.

If the reader is a heathen and does not believe in money suply targets, he may find the new cult of M<sub>0</sub> at worst rather mysterious and at best extremely funny. The reaction would be both understandable and very unfortunate. Monetary control is an important subject. It has been essential to the containment of inflation in recent years and will remain essential to the eventual resto-

The trouble is that Mo is essential to neither monetary control nor the containment of inflation. The Government's recent commitment to this aggregate is disturbing since it suggests a misunderstanding of the proper relation between ends and means in monetary

ration of price stability.

policy.
Strong emphasis needs to be placed on the intermediate character of money supply targets. Keeping the money supply within a target range does not matter in itself, but only as a means to the attainment of the ultimate objective of price stability. Moreover, as the money supply is not under direct government control, it is not a policy

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THE COMPOSITION OF M.

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Sources: Bank of England, February Banking Statistics and February 15 Bank Return.

most evident. Mo is dominated by the note issue. When people have decided how much to spend, they obtain as many notes as they want by deposit withdrawals from the banks
In other words, the quantity
of notes is determined by the
amount of spending and not the
amount of spending by the
quantity of notes. The jargon
for this is that the note issue is

"demand-determined", Mo may give information about where the economy is now, but it cannot give information about

Broad money aggregates, by contrast, are not demand-determined. The economy can add or lose notes transactions with the Bank which have no effect

on output, employment and prices. But it cannot add or lose bank deposits, the main element in broad money, in the way. Central banks have known about the monetary insignifi-cance of the note issue for decades. Indeed, it is an open secret that the Treasury has foisted Mo on a reluctant Bank. which regards the practice of narrow money with scepticism

and of targeting the note issue as rather silly.

If the Treasury and the Chancellor persist with Ma. there could be years of unnecessary controversy. This will greatly entertain the Government's critics who deride the whole business of money supply targets as theological claptrap. Readers who are not heathers and do think monetary control is important should write to their MPs demanding the immediate and summary abol-

The author is economics partner at stockbrokers L Messel & Co

=£575m

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The Annual General Meeting was held at 120 Cheapside, London EC2 on Tuesday, 27 March, 1984.

The following is a summary of the Report by the Directors for the year ended 30 November, 1983.

	1983	1982
Total Revenue	E1.3E3.247	41,379,612
Revenue after taxation and expenses	£ 751,702	£ 767,635
Earnings per Ordinary Share	6.83p	6.98p 4
Ordingry dividends for the year net per share	7.006	6.90p
Net asset value per 25p Ordinary Share	425.0p	515.3p

Copies of the Report and Accounts are available from the Secretaries J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Limited, 120 Cheapside, London EC2V 6DS.

# RECORD RESULTS d 1984 will be a very good year

Bairstow Eves, the first residential estate agency to have its shares listed on The Stock Exchange, again achieved record results in 1983. The salient trading

Profits up 53% to £1.8m

 Number of homes sold up 41% to 11,500

Dividend up 75% (after allowing for scrip issue)

 Number of sales offices up by 43% to 66

■ 14 more new offices acquired since year end

• Falls in interest rates. mortgage rates and Stamp Duty will stimulate housing market

"Residential sales negotiations for the current year have started exceptionally well and are running at record levels giving every indication that 1984 will be a very good year."



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Heavy snow in northern Britain because of poor weather has not the board of Attwoods. His son. Wickins' British Car Auctions eventually have to be sold." much harder than expected.

10 per cent to 1.1p. But Mr Wickins said: "Although these may look satisfactory, personally I am slightly disappointed. One of the few things that can upset the and where BCA has a large smooth running of our auctions stake. increased its half-year is snow, and this winter has

However, he expects a good

been a pretty bad one from that

and the northern states of necessarily been lost. "Motor Mr. Mark Thatcher, has just America hit profits at Mr David vehicles for sale built up and been appointed to a £45,000-a-

Turnover of the group, which Profits in the first half were is to open another auction site up by two-fifths, from £2.2m to in Preston this month, jumped more than £3m, and the interim from £253m to £459m. helped dividend has been increased by by the expanding US business which is now under centralized management

Altwoods, the former Wolverhampion car dealers where Mr Wickins is also chairman profits from £330,000 to £591,000, mainly from sand and gravel extraction interests.

Mr Denis Thatcher, the second half, as business missed Prime Minister's husband, is on £4.3m to £4.9m.

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Particulars of the Bonds and of the Warrants are available in the statistical services of Extel Statistical

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Wood, Mackenzie & Co.,

62-63 Threadneedle Street, London EC2R 8HP

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Morgan Stanley International

year job with a Lotus associate in the US. Mr. Wickens is chairman of Group Lotus, in which BCA has a large share-

holding. . The interim dividend at Attwoods has been maintained at ip on the doubled share capital after last year's scrip

EF Phillips, acquired last June, has been rationalized to cut overheads and is now contributing to profits. Mr Wickins promises "a substantial improvement" on last year's profits of £1 m. Turnover in the first six months was up from

ents of the Council of The Stock Exchange in London

yesterday reported a 30 per cent at the end of 1982. jump in pretax profits to £22m for the year ended December 31. Earnings per share come out the group is increasing the total dividend for the year from dividend for the year from healthy gain in profits, from 3.75p to 4.3p, an improvement £1.2m to £4.2m. Health prodof nearly 15 per cent. The shares

annual figures at 113p. Group sales exceeded £1 billion pounds during 1983 for the first time, and Booker ended the year with a net surplus of

Booker's largest division. agriculture, produced nearly doubled profits for the year fo distribution also managed a ucts generated £3m (£2,2m), but were unchanged on news of the spirits and liqueurs and shipping both showed slight dow-

> was distorted by acquisitions and disposals

# Standard & Chartered

Standard Chartered Bank PLC

#### 1983 RESULTS

The Directors announce the results of Standard Chartered Group for 1983 as follows:

	<u>1983</u> £ million	<u>1982</u> £ million
Trading profit  Bank and subsidiaries  Share of associated companies	275.5 32.3 307.8	244.3 34.6 278.9
Interest on subordinated loan capital <b>Profit before taxation</b>	<u>39.7</u> 268.1	<u>36.9</u> 242.0
Taxation	<u>110.9</u> 157.2	<u>97.8</u> 144.2
Minority interests	43.5	30.2
Profit before extraordinary items	113.7	114.0
Extraordinary items	(24.3)	(1.2)
Profit attributable to members of the Bank	89.4	112.8
Dividends: Interim Final	14.8 28.7	11.9 
Profit retained	45.9	77.8
Earnings per share	77.1p	85.7p

DIVIDEND: The Directors will recommend at the Annual General Meeting on the 10th May, 1984, a final dividend of 18.5 pence per share, making a total distribution for 1983 of 28 pence per share. The final dividend will be paid on the 18th May, 1984, to shareholders on the Register on the 19th April, 1984.

P.J. SPOONER Secretary

#### **COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF**

# **Brent Chemicals ahead**

The American recession, particularly in the aerospace industry, remained a drag on profits at Brent Chemicals International last year. But overall group profits were up from £3.4m to £4m despite poor trading in most markets until

the last three months. Gearing has been reduced further from the 20 per cent seen half way, to 8 per cent. The total dividend for the year is 2.8p against 2.5p last time.

JOHNSON GRP CLEANERS:

Fifty-three weeks to December 31, 1983 (52 wks). Second interest (to be 1983 (52 wks). Second interest (to be confirmed as final) 9.24p making 12.42p (10.8p). Figures in £000. The group turnover 56.989 (50.731). Trading profit 6.748 (5.759) being dry cleaning 5.364 (4.635) and textile rental 1.384 (1.124). Pretax profit 6,303 (5.608). After interest 549 (499). Exceptional dbt 221 (42). • WESTERN MINING CORP. the corporation has been advised by BP Australia of BP's intention to withdraw from the Stuart Shelf exploration joint venture in South

Australia on September 9.

F & C EUROTRUST: The company expects 1984 will be a satisfactory year for European stock markets so long as the governments continue to pursue sound monetary policies. Continental investors are increasingly turning to equities in preference to bonds.

● EMAP: The Fast Midland Allied Press has confirmed the acquisition of the entire issued share acquisition of the entire issued share capital of Choice publications (a private company and its subsidiary, Returement Choice Magazine Company and the Over Fifty Club, with effect from December 21, 1983. The consideration is £1.071,734.

to acquire a significant interest in the National Guardian Corporation which is based in Stamford, Connecticut, USA, Completion is share 2.2p (loss of 2.82p). expected to take place by the end of

MYSON GROUP: Results for 1983. A capital reorganization will be put to shareholders in May to enable the payment of dividends to the renewed in due course. Figs in f000. Turnover 51.937 (52,254). Trading profit 4.210 (3,467). Interest 1.173 (2.159). Pretax profit 3.037 (1,308).

N M W COMPUTERS: Results for 1083. Div 3 in ray May 75

for 1983: Div 3.5p pay May 25 (making 6p (4pl). Turnover £5.642m (£2.933m). Trading profit £1.353m (£673.215). Interest recible £193.376 (£128.258). Pretax profit £1.546m (801.473).

• WHITTINGTON INTL: Div 0.5p for 1983. On increased cap (0.075p on old cap), Figures in £000. Turnover 2.371 (392), Gross profit 1.505 (376), OP expenses 394 (18), Interest pay 371 (83). Pretax profit 540 (270) Tax 39 (83). Extraord dbt

of GRAMPIAN HLDGS: Final 3p making 4.5p (same) for 1983, Figs in £100. Turnover 45.584 (58.071). Trading profit 1.992 (865). Pretay profit 1.453 (425). After central for the first form of the first form of the first form. costs 539 (440). Tax 225 (227). Leaving 1228 (198 before minorities 5). Extraord dbt 390 (4913). • PRESSAC HOLDINGS: Six

months to Jan 1, 1984, Interim dividend 0.7p (0.35p), Figures in 1000, Turnover 9.621 (5.806), Pretax profit 1,002 (212), Tax 393 (64). Profit attributed 650 (129). Group results are in line with expectation.

• W A TYZACK: Interim dividend 0.5p (nil) for half yer to

● RICARDO CONSULTING ENGINEERS: Int 0.875p adj for captn (same). Pay April 13, revenue six months to December 31, 1983. Figs £000 = 5.058 (4.935). Pretax profit 552 (837) incl interest 66 (83). Tax 203. Tax 203 (299).

• CAPE INDUSTRIES: Div 3.90 making 5.6p (5.6p) for 1983. Figs in £000. Turnover 214.054 (219.601) including discontinued businesse including discontinued businesses 1,326 (12,166). Op profit 8,778 (7,731) being continuing businesses 9,178 (9,212) and discontinued businesses loss 400 (loss 1481).

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CO: Div 17.5p making, 22.5p
(18.5p) for 1983.At the annual meeting of the board will propose that the present 5p share should be subdivided into five 1p shares. If this proposal is accepted; the recommended final div will be 3.5p per new 1p share.

DUFAY BITUMASTIC: Die 1.6p making 2.6p (2:16p-adj) für 1983. Figs in £090. Sales 15.339 (13.371) Trading profit, 1.084 (1.102) Interest 184-(1.32). Pretax profit 568 (709) Tax 239 (134).

HEYWOOD WILLIAMS:
Directors D Scholes and M R
Broadhead have sold 120,000 and
10.000 ordinary shares respectively.
 CANNOCK: Heatons has acquired 620,130 ordinary shares and now holds 620,130 shares (15.27%).

● TOZER KEMSLEY : AND MILLBOURN: I Sieff, director; has disposed of 100.000 ordinary shares at 43p.

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By Christopher Dunn

Booker McConnell, one of funds of £14.7m, compared Britain's largest conglomerates, with net borrowings of £12.1m at 12.1p. (up from 9.97p) and £6.4m (£3.4m), while food

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The picture of group profits

# Liverpool likely to recover their direction at **Maine Road**

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Derby survival package

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be more influential, Dalglish,

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his sights, should be more

The holders have already

maintained two records, In each of their last three years they have needed to go at least into extra time to claim the trophy

and in each of their six ties in this season's competition they

have required at least two

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the margin between the two

neighbours is as narrow as their last two results would suggest,

Since New Year's Eve, their

respective form has been re-

markably similar. Everton, with

10 victories and two defeats,

Rotherham United, will rejoin the

board and has promised a cash injection of £60,000. Another

£250,000 is expected to be raised in

bank loans. In addition £40,000 came from

last week's sale of Paul Futcher and

Calvin Plummer to Barnsley, With

the £24,000 frozen in the bank

account the club's coffers are swelled to £374,000, more than enought to satisfy the Revenue and VAT, together owed more than £200,000, and Derby City Council, who are demanding £58,286 in rent and rates.

The Derby directors today meet

aims to continue

sequence. He has

The winds of fortune have disappointed that Everton were already turned on Merseyside not awarded a penalty after and the Vane is swinging in the Hansen had blatantly handled opposite direction. Since knocking Dalglish and Liverpool temperarily off course at the beginning of the year, they have filled Everton's sails and blown them all the way to the final of one cup competition and to the semi-finals of the other.

Everton were still, being pursued by a still breeze during the first half of the Milk Cup tinal at Wembley on Sunday. Their rivals were strangely becalmed and, as they returned to their dressing room at the interval, they walked directly into the fury of their manager, Joe Fagan, He described his words as "industrial language."

His message was effective. Once all blue, the complexion of the game became gradually redder as Liverpool, shaken out of their apathy, bestirred themselves and Everton, without Sheedy for the last 45 minutes, as well as for tonight's replay, continuing to regain his sharpalso lost their momentum. "We seemed to have our"

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Tonight's teams

LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelear; P Neal, A Kennedy, M Lawrenson, R Whelan, A Hansen, K Dalglish, S Lee, I Rush, C Johnston, G Sourios3, Substitute: M EVERTON (from): N Southell; Stevens, J Bailey, K Ratclille, Mountfield, P Reid, A fryine, A Heath,

Sharp, K Richardson, A Harper, A King, T Steven. Referee: A Robinson (Portsmouth).

Buropean Cup quarter-final against Benfica on our minds". Pagan said. "The tie in Portugal was like draughts and we tried to play the same way at Wembley and nearly paid the prive. English football is all about pride and passion and we did not show any in the first

Rush admitted that "We were dead in the head, our brains were not working and we just didn't seem to settle down." He also conceded that when they did, he failed to convert have collected the equivalent of two relatively simple oppor-tunities. Fagan, who thought fixtures. Liverpool, with 11 that Liverpool were lucky not to victories and three defeats, have that Erver down by half-time, was nigoalless draw.

Howard Kendall, justifiably

be three down by half-time, was picked up exactly the same from 21. Both, curiously enough, have scored 34 goals during that period and conceded 15.

Derby County have been given

another chance to survive after a new Robert Maxwell rescue formula won the approval of the Inland

Revenue, who were seeking the club's closure over an unpaid tax

The Revenue yesterday afternoon

agreed to an adjournment of the widing-up-petition in the High

Court to next Monday, April 2: But Mr Kevin Garnett, their counsel, and the judge. Mr Justice Mervyn Pavics, made it clear that this is the

club's last chance.

The new survival attempt is an

equation involving the banks, a new director. Derby City Council, Derbyshite County Council and two

Under the new scheme Robert Maxwell will buy the Baseball Ground for £300,000 from the

National Westminster Bank, who

have also served to waive a further

McCiarry, a former director, who recently quit as chairman of

Middlesbrough's crisis talks

continued vesterday in a desperate bid to avoid closure. The second

division club need to raise £200,000

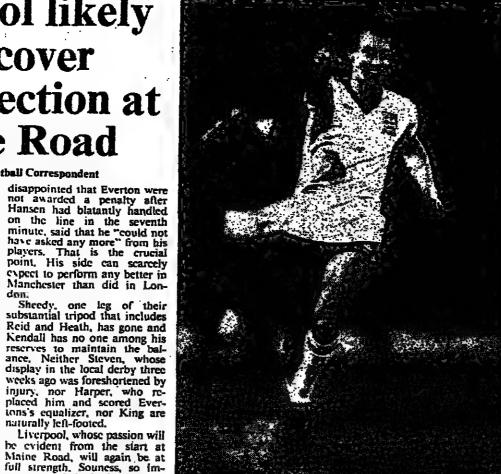
immediately to meet the demands of

creditors. The position of Malcolm Allison, the manager, remains in the

balance, He is unhappy over the of losing players to ease

of the club's forminer players.

bill of £132,000.



Mark one: Hateley celebrates a goal against France.

# Hateley aims ahead and two feet beyond his father

Rouen
Famous fathers cast long shadows and their sons rurely feel the warmth of great success. Mark Hateley, however, took his first tentative step outside the shadow the moment be first pulled on an England shirt in 1978, when England won the World Youth Cup: Dad had played for just about everyone, but never England.

Hateley mark two was born in scored in each round so far against Brentford, Fulham, Brimingham City, Sheffield Wednesday and Walsall. The

Hateley mark two was born in November 1961, the son of a travelling footballer, though at that efforts are any guide, his forchead) may be enough since time Tony Hateley was still with his first clab, Notts County, where he first gained a reputation as a deadly finisher with his head. Chelses paid 490,000 for serial power not seen since the days of Lofthouse. Other clubs, such as Liverpool, continued to pay around the six-figure mark until opposing defenders discovered a way of countering the threat and a deteriorating knee injury brought than down to earth several moves later at Oldham.

Mark Hateley, his bair black and sleek as grays in her narbure

Mark Hateley, his bair black and sleek as a gypsy's, has perhaps, been toughened and made more adaptable by those early semantic days, but his schooling inevitably suffered. Consequently, his views on the importance of education do not bear publicizing. He is the type who would have benefitted greatly from Bobby Robson's school of excellence at Lilieshall.

At 6ft 1 in and 11 ct 7th, he is

At 6ft lin and 11st 7th, he is slightly leaner than his father, but otherwise straight off the old block. Like dad, he also first gained prominence with his head but by his father's own admission "is a better player all round". Mark believes he now has two good feet. He does not, however, have the same yearning for travel, unless it is with England. He spent first weers with Covern City. spent five years with Coventry City, rather longer than his father did.

Mark wishes that his father was still involved with football. Dad feels that he has had his fill of it, Mark

says. "I think he'd make a good

Tony is in his early forties and father and son have a close relationship. "He's one of my best mates." Mark says. At the moment the father works nights at a brewery in Liverpool and consequently sees 'very little of his famous son down at Portsmouth. In fact, in common with Bobby Robson, he has nover watched Mark gain any of his six under-21 caps. That was particularly apsetting a mouth ago, in the first leg of the European champion-him contractionals, when Eucland best frames 6 - 1 at Hillsborough beat frames 6 - 1 at Hillsborough and Hateley scored four, three with his feet and the best, inevitably, with his head. He has been so prolific of late (nine goals in seven games) that

iate (nime goals in seven games) that it prompted Dave Sexton to remark at Hülsborough: "He's got six aow and it's only. Tuesday."

Hateley feels he is a better player at Portsmouth, where Bobby Campbell "emcourages natural ability rather than stuffing tactics down your throat". He is full of admiration, though, for Sexton, the under-21 manager, who was also his manager at Coventry until relieved of his duties. "It helped make up my mind about leaving," he said. "He's an absolute gentleman and deserves his success with the under-21s. He's passionate about the game, though passionate about the game, though he gets a bit frustrated sometimes

trying to put his knowledge over." Today in Rouen, for the second leg of the under-2! tie, Hateley will be performing in front of Robson for the first time. He knows he must the first time. He knows he must follow up impressively his first-leg performance if he aspires to that higher level presided over by Robson. He is confident beyond his years. Married at 18, and with two years, Marries at 16, and what (wo children to support, he is intent on "doing the best for my family". There are no problems yet, though, about long shadows of a famous father. He has two girls.

Clive White

## Stein waits on the bench

From Clive White, Rouce

representatives of two banks to tie up the £250,000 loan, and tomorrow the directors. Mr Maxwell and Derbyshire County Council get together for more financial negotiations. It is hoped that this weeks meetings will produce additional Bobby Robson, the England Bobby Robson, the England manager, will be looking for triumphant individual performances as much as victory when the England under-21 team play the second leg of their European championship quarter-final with France here today. England have a first less but sums to meet the clubs other debts - it is more than £1.4m in the red. Mr 6-1 lead from the first leg, but Robson wants them to start the match as though it were goalless.

Walsh, who suffered a partial failure, in the senior game in Paris. in the eyes of some, goes back to school, as it were, but without his Glenn Hoddle will visit Great Hoddle with visit a specialist on Friday to see if his fortnight's American holiday has cured his nagging Achilles tendon injury. The Spurs manager, Keith Burkinshaw, said yesterday: "Glean has been enjoying the sunshine. He will see a specialist the day after he returns and no will take it from scoring partner, Stein, His Luton team-mate has a sore throat but will be among the substitutes. Hodge, who had such a fine game in the first leg, twisted his ankle during the last seconds of training

yesterday. If it does not respond to treatment. Mabbut will step in without any discernible loss to the team, However, Mabbutt has not trained or played, because of flu, since last Wednesday.

Wallace has been preferred again to Chamberlain, which will be a disappointment to those thrilled by this leggy thoroughbred.

ENGLAND: G Bellay (Marschester United), M Sterland (Sherifeld Wochneeder), N Plotering, (Sunderland), D Watson (Norwich City), T Caton (Arsenell, N Callaghan (Watford), P Bracewell (Sunderland), S Hodge (Mottingham Forest) or G Masbutt (Tottenham Hotspur), D Wallage (Southerspron), M Hateley (Porsenouth), P Wallach (Luton Town), Stoke A Wilsers (Marschester City), S Stein (Luton Town), But (Chamberland), G Stevens (Tottenham Hotspur).

#### Bingham's choice is a surprise to no-one

By Strart Jones

Billy Bingham reached into his shallow pool of possibilities yesterday and pulled out his usual haul of names. There are only 17 and none of those he has selected to prepare for Northern Ireland's final British championship tie against England, at Wembley next Wednesday, will cause the faintest ripple of surprise.

Nine of them played in the corresponding fixure last year. The two absentees are Caris Nicholl, now at the dask of his career as Grimsby Town's player-coach, and

Grimsby Town's player-coach, and Mullan, who was substituted anyway during the goalless draw, Yet not all of those who remain can be certain of retaining their position.

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Stewart is not even sure of his fitness. If he fails to prove it, Bingham may yet invite Penney, a 20-year-old winger, to join the squad. Neal and Kennedy, the Liverpoel and England full backs, will remember his heels if not his face. They saw too much of them during their FA Cup defeat by Brighton in January.

The four familiar figures who did not appear against England at Windsor Park but are challenging for places this time are Whiteside, John 'O'Neill, McCreery and Cochrane. The three less familiar figures who have fallen off Bingham's current list of preferences are Hill of Arsenal and the two Ireland-based players, Cleary

ences are Hill of Arsenal and the two Ireland-based players, Cleary and Docherty.

The inclusion of the Rangers pair, Jimmy Nicholl and McCletland means that they will be excluded from Monday's premier league game against Celtic, their victims in last Saturday's Scottish League Cupfinal But it is in the English League at the gap in ability between the two nations is most noticeable.

Bingham is able to call on only four prepresentatives from clubs in

Bingham is able to call on only four prepresentatives from clubs in the top half of the first division and Whiteside alone is closely involved in the championship race. His counterpart. Bobby Robson, has chosen 17, five from Liverpool and Manchester United, as well as Francis from the Italian first division, Jennings, who is not into his second century of appearances for Ireland may find four of his Arsenal colleagues bearing down on him. Although the Irish have beaten England only twice since 1927, they will recall with relish that both of their victories, in 1957 and 1972, took place at Wembley. took place at Wembley.

SOUAD: P Jennings (Arpahat). J Platt.
(Ballymena). J Nicholl (Plangerd, M Donoghy
(Lutor), P Rainteey (Botos),
McCreary (Socies), M C'Helli (Lécuette),
McCleary (Newcaste), G Amistrong (Real
Mallora) W Hamilton (Surniey) N Whitestote
(Manchester Utd.), I Stewart (OPR), T Coctrists

#### Villa admit guilt over advertising

Aston Villa were severely repri-manded yesterday at a Football League enquiry in Solibuli into a breach of the shirt advertising regulations during the BBCs live

televised match against Liverpool on January 20.

The name of their sponsors, the Japanese company MITA, was said to have exceeded the permitted size. The League commission accepted villa's guitty plea and ordered them to pay the full cost of the hearing.

Robert Hopkins, the Birmingham City midfield player, is to appear before an FA disciplinary hearing next Monday. The first player to collect 41 points from bookings this season, Hopkins, aged 22 reached that total with his twelfth caption in the home match against Luton the home match against Luton

Town last week.

Hopkins has already been suspended for five games for reaching 21 and 31 points.

# **UEFA'S** threat Bern (AP) - in a strongly-worded statement issued after a meeting of its committee on referees, the European football federation (UEFA) said it will not hesitate to

those standards is to bring UEFA, its members and competitions into

Tigers v Blades

The draw for the semi-finals of the Associate Members Cup is: NORTHERN SECTION: Hull v Shemid Und Transsere v Burniev.
SOUTHERN SECTION: Bournemouth or 
Wrestern v Southend or Bristel Revers; 
Plymouth or Exeter v Millingt or Swindon. 
Matches to be played week beginning April

# Smith admits the weakness but defends record

CRICKET: ENGLAND PARTY RETURN

The England manager. Alan Smith, arrived home yesterday with his Test side, refusing to concede that the troubled tour to New

disaster.
"It was not all gloom" Mr Smith
said. "We lost two series and had
one or two bad days, but it was not
disastrous. We lost in Christchurch to New Zealand because we bowled to New Zealand because we obvient badly an the first day and found it hard to come back into that series— and we lost only narrowly to Pakistan in the opening Test in Karachi." But Mr Smith admitted that the present England side "could do with being a bit stronger."

Mr Smith said: "We have lost away for the last four tours. Apart from West Indies, everbody, including Australia, India, Pakistan and New Zealand, is winning at home and leaving away It's certifies a

and New Zealand, is winning at home and losing away. It's getting a bit like football, where home advantage is crucial, whereas in past years it did not make all that much

difference.

"There were some plus points from the tour, especially in the bowling, Neil Foster went out as a raw young fast bowler and benefitted greatly from the experience, while Nick Cook, after having to bowl long spells in the Tests, is now a better bowler than he was three months ago."

England's acting captain, Gower, admitted that drug-taking allegations had an unsettling effect on the players in Pakistan.

The bearded Gower, who scored two centuries in the Pakistan series, said at Heathrow Airport. "The lads

two centuries in the Pakistan series, said at Heathrow Airport: "The lads were a bit upset by some of the things which were said about them off the field. But they picked themselves up and battled over the last weeks of the tour,"

The Test and County Cricket Board will shortly begin their investigations into the affair, but the

#### Dilley out for season

yesterday.

yesterday.
Following specialist advice and
X-rays when he returned home a
week early from Pakistan, complaining of numbness in his right
side and leg. Dilley was advised to
have the operation.

regarding it as a disciplinary inquiry, but a fact-finding exercise in the first instance. We will be seeing all interested parties as soon as possible, but it may take some "The manager has to complete his report, and Bob Willis may not be well enough to take part just yet. When all the facts are available, when all the facts are available, they will be put throuth the usual board machinery, possibly with the exerutive committee meeting, which is scheduled for April 12. But

we must be very careful on our public utterances because legal moves have already been made,"

Bob Willis (above) will not be well

enough to attend this week's TCCB inquiry into the conduct of England's players in New Zealand.

However, it is now likely that Willis's illness is a viral intection and not hepatitis as was first feared.

secretary, Donald Carr, warned that:
it may be some time before
conclusions are reached,
Mr Carr said; "We will not be

The England and Kent fast bowler Graham Dilley will mits the 1984 scason. This was revealed after Dilley underwent an operation on, his neck in a London hospital

have the operation.

Brian Luckhurst, the Kent manager, said yesterday "The news is a tremendous blow both for

Dilley and for us. Apparently they

had to remove a disc from the base of the neck and do a bone graft from his hig to replace the disc which was removed. It's going to take a long time to mend and we have got to accept now that he will not play this-

summer."
Leicestershire have signed lan Carnichael a 22 year-old left-arm, fast medium bowler who was voted "most outstanding newcomer" in Sheffield Shield cricket this winter. after taking 41 wickets and helping South Australia win the Macdonald Cup. He will spend until July 18

#### N Zealand well placed to end the long wait

New Zealand enter the fourth day of the third Test against Sri Lanka in Colombo today with a good chance of winning their first overseas series for 14 years. One up in the three-Test series, the New Zealanders have a 66-run first innings lead and five wickets still standing. It would take a dramatic turn of fortunes to deny them at least a draw. least a draw.

The touring captain. Geoff Howarth, says that his aim is to crown the recent bome series victory over England with a win overseas, a feat they last performed in 1970, when Graham Dowling led his side to a 1-0 success
Pakistan

. The New Zealanders re The New Zealanders resume after yesterday's rest day on 322 for five. Reid (156) and Coney (26) have already put on 69 for the sixth wicket. With the pitch playing well, the Sri Lankans could spend the best part of another day in the field, if they do not make an early breakthrough,

#### Australians set Barbados difficult target

Barbados - Set 387 runs to win in 280 minutes plus 20 overs, Barbados were 41 for one at lunch on the final day of their four-day match against the Australians here yesterday. The Australians declared their second innings at 356 for four.

G M Ritchia, G R J Matthews, R D Woolley, C G Reckemenn and J M Maguire did not bet.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-90, 3-167, 4-BOWLING: Small 20-2-73-1; Entwick 25-5-106 1; Phillips 11-1-40-0; Cumberbatch 26-4-98-8 Best 5-2-19-0.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-18.

#### HOCKEY

#### **UAU** beat the champions to book their semi-final

By Sydney Friskin

Universities Athletic Union half through Makin, three (two Universities Athletic Union (UAU) were the only team certain of a place in the semi-final round of the British Universities Sports Federation tournament by the end of the first day's play at Cambridge yesterday. They won both their matches. Although Cambridge, penalty strokes), Mitchell, from a short corner, and Hill. Scotland, short of match practice. were analysis to lose 2-0 to Northern Ireland, for whom Cook scored twice. Scotland played better winners in 1982, seem most likely to qualify, they need ateast a draw with Northern treland today to make several short corners towards the ehd, with Adams bitting a post. Northern Ireland lost 2-9 to Wales.

Haskins and Palmer scoring.
The UAU best London 2-1. Last Cambridge also finished the day Cambridge also finished the day with four points after beating Scotland 2-1 in the afternoon, having earlier defeated Wales 5-1 in Group B. Cambridge looked as if they would overtud Scotland as Hill scored in the first 30 seconds following up a hit by Rush, and Cootes hit a second goal after 11 minutes off Harper's bentre.

But the Scots fought back strongly year's champions, Oxford (not Cambridge, as reported yesterday) were next to fall, as goals by Skinner and Allcock (2) gave UAU a 3-0 London were involved in a 2-2 draw with Trinity College Dublin. Canning gave Dublin a 2-0 lead in the first half, but London saved the

minutes off Harper's centre.
But the Scots fought back strongly
in the second half after Stanfield,
their best forward, converted a
penalty stroke. This was not the
only spot of trouble for Cambridge.
In the morning they went down to
Wales when Hoskins scored, but
they scored five times in the second match through goals by Neil Murray from a short corner and Mark

RESULTS: Group A; Trinky College, Dublin 0, Oxford 3: London 1, UAU 2: Trinky College, Dublin 2. London 2: Oxford 0, UAU 3: Group b: Cambridge 5, Wales 1; Scotland 0, Northern Intend 2: Cambridge 2; Scotland 1; Waless 2, Northern Instand 0.

RUGBY UNION: The United Nations committee on apartield has asked the British government, the Rugby Football Union and the Commonwealth Games Council to stop an England XV from touring South Africa in May and June. The RFU's decision will be announced

on Friday.

Joseph Garba, the chief delegate of Nigeria and chairman of the committee, commended those in Britain who are trying to stop the tour. "The special committee has the matter under review and will consider further action if the English

Rugby Footbrall Union decides to proceed with the tour," he said. TENNIS: Rain stopped play in the SW Farmer women's tournament at Queen's Club yesterday. Earlier, Sally Reeves, the second seed, best her younger sister, Jennifer, 6-1, 6-3.

Stefan Edberg, who defeated fellow Swede and world number four Mats Wilander last Sunday in the final of the Milan Grand Prix tournament, signed a five-year contract with West German sports equipment company Adidas yester-day for an undisclosed amount. GOLF

#### First round is under threat again

From Mitchell Platts Ponte Vedra, Florida ---

"Hell for the players, heaven for the fans" is a fitting description of the Tournament Players' Club at Sawgrass. Yesterday it was hell for all concerned. A vicious thunderstorm hovered over north-eastern Florida and spoiled the curtain-rais-

ing pro-am.
Such was the deluge that more water than grass could be seen along the 6.857 yards which make up what is widely considered to be th is here, weather permitting, that Hal Sutton will start his defence of the Tournament Players' championship tomorrow. A year ago the first round was postponed for 24 hours hecause of heavy rain.

The players will notice numerous the puryers with increasing the subject of immense criticism before three greens were completely rebuilt and six others remodelled. Craig Stadler, America's number one money winner in 1982, says: "Originally the greens were unputable. Now they're a heck of a lot better."

But while the brutal severity of the greens has been eased, the course is harsher. The driving areas at many othe holes have been narrowed and the wasteland, which borders most of the fairways, has had lovegrass and pot bunkers added.

Speaking as one who has conquered the course. Sutton says: "Some people claim it is unfair. But I like it because it's a ball-hitters course. And that is my strength. But the key to winning here is to remain patient. You cannot hope to succeed by being aggressive."

HOCKEY

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# Schools enthusiasm dampened

returns and we will take it from

Rosslyn Park's national schools seven-a-side tournament, sponsored Tandem Computers, made a reluctant start yesterday as 85 schools dodged one another on nine pitches alongside the Kingston bypass during the first five rounds of the open tournament.

The rain came in on cue and it was cold enough to make conditions

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GROUP M: Durham 28, Gumersbury 0,
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Izabeth Barnet 0 Resgate 10. Bishop Wand 0.
IROUP B: Normanion 12, St George's
Iamenden 6. Plymouth 20, Councester 4.
IROUP C: Whitehaven 4, St Edmands 0; Rydal 2 Beverley 12. ROUP D: Ampletonth 18, Kings Wordsster 6; Ottogham 24, Chistehurst and Skicup 8.

going to be like playing on the Park's pitch tomorrow, when the group winners vie for a place in the quarter-finals is not difficult to predict. Park had to cancel their match with Coventry here last Saturday, yet the pitch was thought to be in good enough condition to allow the England Under-18 side to

Cartory 25, Varulara 6.
CROUP F: Belmont Abbey 22, Ashville 0;
Tasker Mikwerd 18, St Otave's 10; St Mary's
Liverpool 6, Solikult 4.
CROUP H: Emansied 18, Judd 8; Crofton
12, Ethosphare 12. 10. GROUP Jr. De La Selle 18, Sevenosks 12; Wrekin 12. Hampton 6. GROUP K John Fisher 8, King Henry VIII Coventry 8; West Park 34, Archibishop Coventry 8; West Park 34, Archoshop holigates 0. GRÖUP L: Mound St Marys 24, Austin Friers 8; SI Thomas Picton 10. Coviley 4. GROUP M: Stoneyhurs 16, Heberdisafer Aska : Hatcham 0. Misible 82. Hymers 0. GROUP N: Druham 18, Merchant Taylors 10; ROS Guidiord 16, Gunnersburg 8. GROUP C: Strattellan 10, St. Benedicta 10; Warwick 12, Wirral 63 10. GROUP P: Latymer Upper 8. Portsmouth 4; St Edwards Liverpool 20, Llandowey 10, GROUP C: Manchester 18, Whitem Elbs 8; Tiffin 18, Newcastle-under-Lyme 14.

Third round
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GROUP 'B': Planouth 28, Normanion 4;
Aylesbury 16, 5t George's Harpanden 0
GROUP 'C': Bevanley 14, 5t Esthaunds 6'
Maidstone 12, Writishawan 10
GROUP 'D': Amplistorin 28, Chilsiehurst and
Sidoup C'stings Worcester 6, Magnus 4
GROUP 'E': London Oratory 18, Truro 0;
Hoperholme 14, Ethem 12
GROUP TP: Belmont Abbey 40, Wardson 6; 5t
Joseph's Academy 20, Astrolle 4
GROUP 'G': Duke of York 10, Solibuli 8;
Gampion 18, St Olswe's 6

thoroughly impleasant. What it is take on the Park's colts the positions but lacked players of astonishing decision with so needle a programme close at hand.
Yesterday, as a tractor trundled up and down spiking the ground to a depth of 18 inches, the pitch resembled a lake. The heavy going suited some of the better schools who were well equipped in most

Brostourne D. GROUP I: Birkenheed 20, King Edward VI Numerton Q. City of London Freeman 14, Cardinal Wiseman 8. GROUP J. De La Saile 10, Wrekin S. Bassaleg. 18. Sevenceka 10. GROUP IC King Henry VIII Coventry 24, Archbishop Holgstee (t. John Fisher 14, Cotton College (). GROUP L. Cowley 20, Mount St Marys 18; Minbledon 12, Austin Frans 4. O GROUP N: Gurnerabury 18, Hereford CS 18; Durham.24, Merchant Taylora 5. GROUP C: Warwick 14, Strathalian 8; Royal Belfast Academy 20, St Benedicts 8. GROUP D: St Edwards, Liverpool 25, Letymer. Upper 8; Portsmouth 18, Poynton 0. GROUP C: Manchester 12, Newcastle under Lyme 0; Str William Bortasa 20, William Ella 0.

POURTH FOURIEL GROUP & Religiels 20, Queen Elizabeth 8; Numbrone 18, Brahop Wand 0. GROUP B: Normanton 20, Chichester 8; Aylesbury 4 Physicult 0. GROUP C: Rydel 32, St Estmants It Beverley 14, Maidstone 10. GROUP D: A CROUP C: Rydau 32, St Edmands II: Barracky 14, Madistone 10.

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GROUP E: Trure 34, Varuism 6; London Cratory 42, Etham 8.

GROUP F: Bellmort Abbay 14, Tasker Milheard 0; St Joseph's Academy 25, Windsor 4.

GROUP G: St Mary's Liverpool 16, Duke of York 0; Campion 28, Solikuit 0.

GROUP II: Emanuel 18, Grotton 4; Juild 32, Elestiness 4. Bashere 0. GROUP I: CWAITAWE 22. King Edward VI 0; Birkenhead 6, C of L Freeman 0. GROUP J: De La Sele 54, Hampton 0.

following day. On the face of it, an exceptional pace who thrive on firm extonishing decision with so hectic a going. Millfield, the holders, have established themselves as favour-ites, running up 62 points to six in three matches before Haberdashers' Aske's scratched in the final match in Group M.
Millfield were unbeaten in the 15a-side game this season

GROUP It: West Park 30, King Harry VIII 0; Cotton College 22, Arch Holgates 0. GROUP L: St. Peton 15, Mr. St. Mary's 12; Cowlvy 25, Windbodon 0. GROUP Mr. Mittled 14, Stonighturst 6; Hymer's 12, Kings Macclestified 6. GROUP Mr. RGS. Guildford 3, Hereford 6; Marchett Twelon 6; Grameraburs 4. Geoutre de Pass Guerror a, Heriscot e; Merchart Taylora 9; Gunnarabury 6. GROUP Dr. Wirnal 28, Strathalian 12; Royal Belfast 6, Warwick 4. GROUP Br. Landowery 16, Latymar Upper 8; St Edward's Liverpool 14, Poynton 6. GROUP Cr. Thiffs 10, Manchester 10; Sir W Berlase 12, Newcastie Under Lyme 0. group wirners: Nunthorps GROUP 187: Aylesbury 6, Normanion 4; St Beorgo's 20, Chiclaster 16, Group winners: Lytechary

CHOICE S. D., CHOWSON 10, St. Edmunds 8; Aylesbury CHOUP "C": Meldestone 10, St. Edmunds 8; Aydel 22, Whitehaven 12, Group winners: Rydel 95; King Herky VIII 24; Cotion College 8; West Park 18, John Fisher 0, group winner: Ausen Frans 6, St. 1 Fector 6, group winners Couley CROUP NY: King Maccinefield 24, Stoneyhunst C. MERield W.O. Hab sales Hebbern SCY; group winner MERield CROUP 'NY: Hereford CS 16, Merchant Taylors 8; RGS Guidford 26, Durhern 8, group winners RGS Guidford GROUP C: Royal Belfast 19, Strathellen 6; Wirrel 8, St Benedicts 3. Group Winners: Royal Belfast. GROUP P: Poymon 18, Litheaur Upper 0; Portamouth 30, Llandoviery D. Group Winner: St Edward's Livetpool. GROUP D: Manchester 4, Str W Borlese 0; Win Ellis 8, Tittin 4, Group wirener: Manchester.

#### Chance to take a look

BOXING

at Jones Seven months on from the memorable effort in Las Vegas which almost won him the world welterweight title, Colin Jones makes his comeback in homely Aberavon tonight Jones boxes for a fraction of the money he earned in America but it is necessary to show the boxing world that he is still alive and capable, for another world title fight may be waiting around the corner.

corner.
So he meets Allen Brashwell, of So he meets Allen brasnwell, or New York, in a 10-rounder designed to ease him back on to the scene. It is a modest looking event, but there is no denying its importance. If Jones falls to win impressively a lot of well laid, and well paid, plans will fall to nieces. of well laid, and well paid, plans will fall to pieces.
Following the second McCrory bout, Jones was not even certain he would box again. After twice failing to win the world title he was tired and disappointed. But his manager, Eddie Thomas, reports that Jones seems to have got all his old zest bard.

back.
This could be a rich final year for
Jones, so the Welsh should take the opportunity of having a close look at their hero for it may be the last chance they will get. Thomas says that he has had offers from Bernuda, San Francisco, New York

● Larry Holmes, will defend his International Boxing Federation title against the World Boxing Association champion, Gerrie Cael zee, of South Africa at Caesars Palace, Las Vegas on June 8.

# FOOTBALL FOOTBALL GOMBINATION: ipswich 2, Wetlond 1; Clusen's Park Rangers 1, Norwich C, West Hern 1, Leichsfer 2. TOUR MATCH: Lenstbury 0 New England-Universities (US) 2. ALBANHAN LEAGUE; Skenderbeu 0, Lubinosi 8; Diramo 3, Naffeitari 3; 31 Körrfeu 1, Flamurtari 1; Vieznis 2, Traktori 0; Tomori 1, Luffetari 8; Bess 1, Péritzani 1. TOUR MATCHS lais Sweley's 30 (Cudord and Cartisridge former Bluve) 2, New England Universities (US) 0, at Mattend Burch FC, New Backenium.

BOCA RATON (AP) - Pairie Webber Clanale: First resent S Devis (US) bt J-L Clerc (Arg) 6-1, 6-3: Tom Golfston (US) bt R Krainian (Ucid) 6-2, 3-4, 6-3: N Oditor (Ng) at B Tarotoxy (Nang) 7-4, 7-5; B Melater (US) bt E Intensity (US) 6-4, 7-6, 6-4; S Sidermaria (US) bt J V Mootread /-6, 5-4; S CARRISHMAN (105) by 3 Women's Created Print (US) 6-1, 6-3, (AFP) — Women's Created Print (usymment) First rounds P Paradia (IP) by White (US) 6-2, 6-3; A Lieut (US) by Mr. (Calaja (IP) 6-7, 7-6, 6-3, 17-6; K Pinniol (US) by V Wattie (GB) 3-6, 6-3, 7-5; K Pinniol (US) by Y Vermant (SA) 7-6, 6-3; M L Pittiek (US) M G Benjamin (US) 6-0, 6-2.

CHEIN'S CLUB: S W Farmer women's teamworks that rouse; K Brasher (Surrey) b? W Coursean (Kart) 5-8, 6-1; D Parmel (Cheu)ris) b? Cheidrige (Cores); 5-1, 5-2; D Ramel (Cheu)ris) b? Cheidrige (Cores); 5-1, 5-2; D Ramel (Miriol); b? A Brasher (Surrey) 6-1, 5-1; J Rich (Miriol); b? A Brasher (Surrey) 6-1, 5-1; J Langeter (Surrey) b? 5 Goulgh (Lasco) 6-3, 6-2; B (Lasco); 6-3, 6-2; B (Lasco); 6-3, 6-2; B (Lasco); 6-3, 6-3; B (Lasco); B); b? J Parmes (Kart); 6-1, 6-2; B (Lasco); B); br. J Parmes (Kart); 6-1, 6-3; B); c. J Ramel (Kart); b. J. Goulgh (Kart);

LACROSSE TROPHY: Chiables 25. 28

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Mystery still surrounded the attempts to become the first riding arrangements for Eliogarty at the four-day stage of declarations for the Seagram be out to win his first National sponsored Grand National on last year's runner-up to vesterday. The impressive Corbiere. Greasepaint's right winner of last year's Christie's on song. Weld said. "You Foxhunters Challenge Cup at always need luck at Aintree, but Cheltenham has been backed to win an estimated £5m. However, John Hassett, the nineyear-old's trainer, still refuses to year's winner Corbiere. Lucky discuss his plans.

Yesterday the first light was shed on the situation by Caroline Beasley, who rode Eliogarty to victory at the National Hunt Festival in 1983 with only four project teenle. and who also won on this superb jumper on his seasonal reappearance at Wexford earlier this month. "I still own Eliogarty outright", Miss Beas-said yesterday. "John Hughes. this month. "I still own Eliogarty outright", Miss Beasley said. "I will not be riding the clerk of the course, says that myself, but we are making no decisions until Thursday. There are still one or two matters to be finalised." 10-1 is now the general price on offer against Eliogarty.

John O'Neill was offered the mount at Cheltenham. The

former champion has, however, heard no more since then. Hassett has stated that he dation has been sold. Safety considers John Francome to be restrictions only allow 4.000 on the best jockey in the world, but the reigning champion is re-maining loyal to Grittar the paddock and stands area where 1982 winner.

maining loyal to Grittar the 1982 winner.

"I don't know why Grittar ran moderately at Market Rasen". Frank Gilman, Grittar's owner-trainer, said. "Horses don't talk, so he can't tell me, But he's in good shape and an intended runner. Francome will still be his jockey."

Eighty one hopefuls were declared, so a maximum of 41 face possible elimination at the overnight stage before the size of the field can be reduced to the safety limit. Mullacurry, Animahron and Barrysville were the only withdrawals of note.

Greasepaint remains favourite at 8-1 with William Hills and Ladbrokes as Dermot Weld

Tony Murray landed his first winner in his new role of stable jockey to Tom Jones, the Newmarket trainer, on Hafeaf. The

victory came in the Auchans Maiden Stakes at Ayr when Hafeaf.

the 11-8 favourite, swept home by

one and a half lengths from Bounty

Draw: Low numbers best

Pagan Sun to outshine elders

PAGAN SUN is supped to dely a 51b penalty for his runaway victory at Deucaster by winning the Springtime Apprentice Handleip at Catterick. Bridge this afternoon. Alan Bailey followed up his Saturday double by saddling Wing And A Prayer to finish a creditable second to Vital Boy at Folkestone. Pagan Sun can now give further evidence of the well-being of the Newmarket trainer's team.

Backing three-year-olds against Irish trainer to land the Spring Double. Tommy Carmody will be out to win his first National

Backing three-year-olds against older horses in March is not normally regarded as a road to he's going to take all the beating". Hills also had backing for last riches. However, not only did Pagan Sun sprint home 10 lengths clear of Sun sprint home 10 lengths clear of Foot Patrol, he also recorded a fast time figure considering that he won without being extended. The from running O.T. Oyston will an doubt attempt to run his rivals ragged around Catterick's sharp left-hand bends, but Pagan San should prove too strong in the closing stages of this seven-furlong dash. Ladbrokes reported support for Ashley House, whose odds were

Provided and Dromodan are other Doncaster winners who will also be attempting to strike while the iron is hot. Following his easy victory in the opening race of the season on the Town Moor. PROVIDED is sure to start at odds on in the Toytop Stakes. But Bill O'Gorman's twoyear-old looked razor sharp and

year-old looked razor soarp and cannot be opposed.
Ridden by Tim Easterby, DROMODAN landed a long-priced gamble for his assute stable when beating Shutler's Fling and Stan's Pride in an amateur rider's event. The style of that victory makes the four-year-old look the pick of the weights in the Yarm Handicap. Sir Locky and Goosey Gander are fit from hurdling and can be given each from hurdling and can be given each

way chances.

Barry Hills and Steve Cauthen
were on the mark with Spanish
Place at Doncaster, and now this formidable partnership launch another northern raid with Quisis-sano and Kolomelskoy Palace, both of whom run in the Whorlton Maiden Stakes, Steve Cauthen will not decide on his choice of mount

not decode on his choice of pount until shortly before the race. The one discarded by the American will be partnered by Richare Hills.

The best bet at Huntingdon's jumping fixture should be WOOL-LOOWARE in the second division of the Sanda Newigen's Hundle At of the Sandy Novices' Hurdle. At Kempton Park in February Toby Balding's four-year-old beat To-Onero-ivlou by half a length in a handicap and though subsequently disqualified for interfering with the runner up should be difficult to overcome in the this two and a balf mile maiden race.



Straight from the horse's mouth: Creag-An-Sgor sweet-talks Charlie Nelson (Photograph: Chris Cole).

Two that went for a song should be names to remember for the classics

# Nelson has an eye for a bargain

cound syndicates monopolize the choicest-bred thoroughbreds on the international sales circuit. Charlie Nelson, the Ipper Lambourn trainer, has offered ncouragement to ordinary racing folk by recruiting two classic contenders straight from the bargain basement.

Mahognany, the ante-post 1.000 Guineas favourite, and Greag-An-Sgor, a leading contender for the 2,000 Guineas after his 50-1 all-the-way success in the Middle Park Stakes, both cost Nelson 20.000 Irish punts (about £16.000) as yearlings at Goffs Sales. Co Kildare, two cars ago.

Firmly convinced of their potential, the 29-year-old trainer persuaded two old family friends. Bill Tulloch. an electronic games manufacturer, and his wife, Georgina, to take a majority share in the two horses, with Nelson retaining a share in each, and another friend. Marcel Klein. a local hotel proprietor, taking an additional quarter in Mahogany.

#### Speculation

The pair, who race in Mrs Tulloch's cerise, white and black colours made famous by her 1979 Triumph Hurlde winner, Pollardstown, made a tremendous impact during their two-year-old cam-paigns with Mahogany (8st 8lb in the Free Handicap) winning) her only two starts at Newbury and Newmarket - and Creag-An-Sgor, (named after the highest point in Mr Tulloch's grouse shooting estate, 40 miles west of Aberdeen) earning a 9st rating in the Free Handicap with his York and Newmarket victories. There had been speculation that the pair

would change hands this winter, but at his Kingsdown stables recently Nelson in-sisted that although plenty of people have asked if they were for sale no serious offers have been forthcoming "The Arabs were immediately interested in her as soon as she passed the winning post at Newbury" Nelson says. "Hundreds of thousands of hopes were firmly on the 1984 classic this is my strongest team so far." he says.

Slightly built and articulate, the Millfield-educated trainer goes on: "Before Newbury Mahogany had only had two serious pieces of work and Joe Mercer, who rode her in her final workout, came up to me afterwards and confided 'This one is a bit out of the ordinary.

Nelson was tempted to run her next in the Cheveley Park Stakes at Newmarket, but opted instead for the Rockfel Stakes which she won, again in impressive style,

By that popular young stallion, Tap On Wood, out of a Red God mare. Mahogany is a big rangy filly who has been striding out well on the Mandown gallops recently. Mercer has regularly partnered her in her strong work and he rides her in her first appearance of the new season, the Fred Darling Stakes at Newbury, before tackling the Guineas.

Watching his star filly in her box. screened on the closed-circuit security system to his living room, Nelson remarks: "It is difficult to put a true valuation on the filly at this stage of her career - £1m. £2m. it is anybody's guess. She is only worth what somebody is prepared to pay for her. The crunch will come if she wins the Fred Darling. Then she will be a hot property."

Nelson, who enjoyed a recent working

holiday in Cagnes-sur-Mer. runs Creag-An-Sgor (by Captain James, out of Happy Thought) in the Greenham Stakes at Newbury. "He loves to bowl along in front and does not need much work to get fit. I

and does not need much work to get it. I am hoping Steve Cauthen will be free to ride him." Nelson says.

Nelson. the younger son of Major Peter Nelson, who trained the 1974 Derby winner. Snow Knight, also achieved a Free Handicap rating for Double Schwartz (8st. 7lb), who will tackle the big sprints this season, an a very attractive colt, Fan Club (8st 11b), an exceptionally good walker

who won at Salisbury.

Nelson has a refreshing and realistic approach to racing, "I don't want to start shooting my mouth off about our chances, because in this game you can so easily be shot down. But I am optimistic and I feel

winning the 1000 guineas with another bargain filly, Millingdale Lillie, who cost 3.300 guineas, again at Goffs. "I don't like criticizing jockeys, by Lestor Piggott gave her an awful lot to do that day," Nelson

In 1980 Nelson had his best-ever season with 32 successes, but he slumped to only nine winners the following year, when the stable was struck by a virus. "It was dreadfyul." he painfully recalls. "All two two-year-olds who got it were never any good afterwards and it needed a full twoyear cycle to shake off the effects."

#### Firm footing

Now Nelson is back on a firm footing again with his boxes comfortably full. Of his 46 horses. 20 of them are two-yearolds, including an imposing Ela-Mana-Mou colt, called Peatfold (in the Tulloch-Nelson ownership), Hilly, an attractive Town Crier filly, owned and bred by Lady Tavistock, and a Double Form colt, Lookie Lookie, should pay his way. Nelson started training seven years ago

when, with the help of an understanding bank manager, he purchased Kingsdown from his father. After selling off the main house and gallops, he retained the 50 loose boxes and covered ride and still lives in the converted accommodation Sitting in his living room, once the tack

room where his three whippets hog the settee. Nelson admits that his early days as a trainer were desperately hard. "But we struggled through and now I have the help of my brother. John. as assistant trainer the standard of horses at Kingsdown is higher than ever before. There is little doubt that Charles Nelson

is climbing to the top of the tree as a trainer, but he has a clear ambition - to win a classic. "You can land a group one race, like the Eclipse or the Sussex Stakes," he says, "but it is the classics that have the charisma." Only time will tell whether Nelson's pair of accs will be good enough

1963: Soiders Web 8-10-12 G McCourt (7-1) J Webber 9 ran.

4.30 ELTISLEY NOVICE CHASE (Div 11: £1,248: 3m

(£2,285: 3m 100yd) (7)

#### Dick Hinder

#### sesson "Nobody will look too hard to see who won the World Cup this 3.30 JOHN BULL BEER KIT HANDICAP CHASE 1983: Chance Command 8-10-13 C Grant (9-4 jt-fav) P Calver 4 ran. 11-4 Haybale, 100-30 Stegby, 9-2 Manton Castle, 8 Virgin Soldier, 8 allymban, 10 Royal Admiral, 14 Chance Command. 4.0 COUNTRY MILL HANDICAP CHASE (£1,842: 2m

Miss Walliser: marketable

Bill Johnson, as undisciplined drop-out from the American leam two years ago, returned to the senio circuit to triumph in both the World Cup and the Olympics. He look control of the downhill races after Christmas, beginning with a win in Christmas, beginning with a with in Wengen, climating with gold in Sarajevo and adding two more World Cup wins

Johnson and the Swiss, who eclipsed their arch-rivals, the Austrans, look likely to maintain

their dominance next season.

Miss Hess, who has been at the will be aiming at greater consistency next season. The Olympic defeats 5.0 SANDY NOVICE HURDLE (Div II: £1,012: 2m 4f) got on my herves for a long time, (22) she said. I did not have the right

feeling. That explains the swings in what will surely be a glittering career. In the downhill at Sarajevo, at the age of 17, she became the youngest ever Alpine gold medal winner. And Maria Walliser, who took the

silver behind Miss Figini in the Olympics, but won the downtill World Cup, can look forward to riches as well as glory. She is said to be ready to switch skis. Any new contract with a ski manufa will have to take account of her World Cup success and her photogenic looks. "I am happy with my winter." she says, smiling a highly marketable smile.

#### **REAL TENNIS** Lovell severe on Warburg By William Stephens

Alan Lovell, the holder, advanced to the semi-final round of the amateur championship, sponsored by George Wimpey, at Hampton Court Palace yesterday when he defeated Thane Warburg, the Cambridge University captain, son of David Warburg, three times Amateur champion by 6-1, 6-1, 6-2. Lovell, who deposed Howard Angus, a fellow Wykehamist and former world champion, after his former world champion, after his 15-year hold on the Amateur title in 1981, only to lose it back to him a year later, was too severe for Warburg, frequently volleying service off the penthouse roof into the

Dedans.
Warburg achieved many game
Warburg achieved many game points without being able to convert

It was the first time that Murray had ridden at only 8st 5lb for two years and as he dismounted from the winner he commented: "The ground out there is twice as bad as at Donesser on Saturday."

Murray, aged 34, was pushing home the 1.018th winner of his career. It was touch and go last season whether he would give up just returned from a six-week satisfied with Craig's explanation. CATTERICK BRIDGE GOING: soft (7.30 am inspection).

2.15 TOYTOP STAKES (2-y-o: £983: 5f) (7 runners)

4-5 Provideo, 3 Princess Wendy, 11-2 Boardman's Glory, 10 Dadeka 2.45 FORCETT PARK SELLING STAKES (£1,123: 7f)

10 0000 FREEDOM GLORY (D,B) T Fairhurst 49-4 R P Ellott 6
12 0000 HAGEN'S BARGAIN F Yardiey 4-9-4 G Duffield 8
13 0001 HOPEFIL WATERS J Spearing 4-9-4 G Duffield 8
14 0000 HAGEN'S BARGAIN F Yardiey 4-9-4 G Duffield 8
15 0300 PALACE OF LOVE H Fleming 4-9-4 D Duffield 9
16 UPTOWN GRIL J P Smith 4-9-4 S Websier 15
17 CARREN'S BROTHER D Chapman 3-9-6 S P Griffiths 7
17 00 2300- SAMBOLA J Meson 3-8-6 S G Griffiths 7
17 00 STORTHER STORTHER DOUBLE M Lambert 3-6 D RECHARD 10
22 0000- SOOTT'S PAL J Parkes 3-8-6 G Offiver 5
20 0000- SOOTT'S PAL J Parkes 3-8-6 M McAndrey 7
21 0000- LADY LOCKET M Lambert 3-8-3 M McAndrey 7
22 0000- LADY LOCKET M Lambert 3-8-3 D OLGTerm 1
23 0000- LADY LOCKET M Lambert 3-8-3 D OLGTerm 1
24 0000- LADY LOCKET M Lambert 3-8-3 D OLGTerm 1
25 25100m, 9-2 Hopeful Waters, 5 Pleasurable, 6 Sambola, Palace

7-2 Eastform, 9-2 Hopeful Waters, 5 Pleasurable, 6 Sambola, Palace Ol Love, 8 Gaygrg, 12 Holfingreen, 16 others.

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FORMS: + EASTFORM. unplaced last two furts, (8-12) beat Lady Donaro (9-2) by 31 in non-selfer (Ponterract, 81, £2,444, good, Oct 10). HOLLINGREEN, behind linal start, previously neck 2nd (8-5) to Harbour Mussc (8-7) at Hamfflon (81, £598, Good to firm, Sept 12). HOPEFIR, WATERS 5th in 71 selfing hicap, easily had won selfing hicap 81,8-7) by 41 from Easy Star (9-3) (Leleaster, 65, £751, good to firm, Oct 31). PALACE OF LOVE, favourits when only 7th last time out, had nur 21 3rd (8-11) to Some Scinny Day (8-11) in Chepstew maider (81, £1, 963, hand, Aug 30). SAMBOLA, well beaten in selfer final start, earlier 2½, 3rd (8-0) to Singaman (9-0) in maution (Newcaste, 51, £1347, firm, Aug 61, NELLY BAY, talked off last time out. Previously about 41 5th (8-3) to Russiborough (6-1), winner this season, at Donoaster (81, £1, 383, good, Oct 21).

Catterick selections

By Mandarin
2.15 Provideo. 2.45 Ming Village. 3.15 Dromodan. 3.45
Why Work, 4.15 Fair Madame, 4.45 Kolomelskoy
Palace. 5.15 PAGAN SUN (nap).

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 Provideo. 2.45 Skiathos. 4.45 Sister Dympna. 5.15

Pagan Sun. Michael Seely's selection: 4.15 Fair Madame (each

3.15 YARM HANDICAP (£1,341: 1m 7f 180vd) (15)

11 044 GOOSEY GANDER G Lockarbie 5-9-0 ... S Keightley 7 7 12 0800 - PORTER (B) E Center 5-9-0 ... J Carr 7 8 14 0000 - HYDRANGEA D Chepman 5-8-10 ... D Nicholles 9 15 0900 - RIPLE SHOT A Smith 5-8-6 ... N Carletie 15 18 3400 - EXCAVATOR LADY (B) Mr2 M Nesbit 5-8-5

21 3200- LINE ABREAST S Norton 5-8-4 LOR 22 0000- SIR LUCKY (B) C Crossley 5-8-4 LOR 23 40409 BERYL'S GIPT Mrs N Mecauley 7-8-3 LOR 1953: Bavail 8-7-10 Paul Eddery (5-1 tav) D Yeoman 15 ran.

3 Melkleour, 4 Sir Lucky, 9-2 Ardoomy, 11-2 Dromoden, 6 Goosy Gander, Porter, 12 Orange Blossom, 15 others.

Gander, Porter, 12 Orange Biossom, 16 others.

FORM: ARDOCNY, 6th at Laicester Oct. (9-7) same position, about 22, behnd Hasty Goddesid (8-10), when THIRD REALM, (8-6), 5th ORANGE ELOSSOM, (8-9) 4th, neck and head in front (Catterick, fir 44, 22.015, good Sept 17), CAVALIER SERVENTE, well behind in Cosarewich, (8-7) rad HYDRANGEA, (8-12) 141 beck in flast place when beeting Graphics Solar (8-9) at Haydock (1m 61, 21.856, irm, Aug 12), DRIOMODAN, (10-3) beat Shutler's Fling (10-3) 1½ at Doncaster (1m 21, 22.656, good to firm, Niar 23), MERKLEGUR, talled off latest at Haydock, Oct. earlier (7-13) ½ and to Spocal Vintage (8-12) at York (1m 61, 22.939, good to firm. Sept 1) GOOSEY GANDER, (11-2) 124 4th to Path Of Peace (11-10) at Ayr (1m 7), 51, 449, good, Sept 14) PORTER, lest of 11 at Redour Oct. (9-4) had ORANGE BLOSSOM, (8-10) neck behind when 11 5th to Al Niasr (8-7) at Nothingham (1m 51, 21, 648, firm Sept 5).

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way). 5.15 Pagan Sun.

working holiday in Sidney, Australia, where I rode work for riding. He was planning to switch to training, but was unable to find premises.
C A Lighting shot out of the stalls,

Murray in a hurry for new stable

but before a furlong Hafeaf took over and, revelling in the mud, held off Bounty Hawk. The winner carries the colours of Hamdan Al-Maktoum.
Wendy Carter, aged 19, probably

enjoyed the ensiest winner of her career when Prince Concorde trotted up by 15 lengths from Wildrush in the Coodham Handicap. Prince Concorde is trained by her father, Joe, at Malion.

Tommy Craig received a £100 line from the stewards after saddling Banoco without leathers and irons

3.45 ORAN MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £629: 51) (9)

9-4 Northern Parade, 3 Why Work, 4 Lincyers, 6 Boldcott Tiger, 8 Coded Love, 12 Allez, 14 others.

15 0049- FINAL CAST (C) D Chapman 5-7-12 S P Griffits 7 8
17 1294- MISS SELLA J Berry 3-7-7 S Charley 3
1983: H R Micro 5-7-9 S Donkin (8-1) M Lambert 10 ran.

11-4 Mrs Buzby, 7-2 Adjusted, 5 Moneray Boy, 7 Fair Madame, 9 Sook For Choice, Miss Bella, 12 Meritous, 16 others.

Spott For Choice. Miss Belle. 12 Meritous, 16 differs.

FERRIBY HALL (9-7), unpreced over 8 on final start, eurlier best SPOILT FOR CHOICE (8-10) a head with FAIR MADAME (9-3) a ehort head away in 3rd (21139, good, Sept 16). IBOLYAN SOURED (8-12) was besten 44 in 8th. VALLEY MILLS (8-11) unplaced. Adjusted (8-7), unplaced over 71 on final start, beal Hazardous (8-1) affect ame out in 1983 at Yarmouth (61 seller, 2957, good to firm, July 13, Mers SUZEN (8-13) best Sparkling Form (8-7) in in Doncaster seller (7, £1850, good to firm, Nov 4). If it MICRO out of first 10 on final start. Won first 2 races in 1983 including the event when best (8-2) incessious (8-7) by (£1251, good to eff. Mar 30). ARCHIMBOLD (8-3), out of first 10 on Final Star, best Marshall Osthoff (7-13) a head first time out in 1983 at Hamilton (8), £1463, good, Sept 27).

4.45 WHORLTON MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o fillies:

GOTS: Iffile 44 40y0) (c)

EGYPTIAN N Chamberlain 8-11 G Skeats

4- KOLOMELISKOY PALACE 8 Hills 8-11 S Perks

000- PENTLAND SEAUTY R Holirishead 8-11 S Perks

000- PENTLAND SEAUTY R Holirishead 8-11 S Perks

000- PEENY LEE R Whitaker 8-11 T Ives

00- SCOTT'S HILL Not Jones 8-11 B Hide

00- SCOTT'S HILL Not Jones 8-11 S Hide

SISTER DYMPHA M Jarvia 8-11 B Raymond

1983: Yynz Girl 8-11 G Oktroyd (8-1) C Booth 10 ran.

11-10 Kolomeiskoy Palace, 9-4 Qualissammo, 9-2 Sister Dympha.

Pentland Beauty, 14 others.

FORSI: KOLOMELSKY PALACE (8-8 beaten 24/l by Test Of Time at Sandown (71, £2,147, good, Oct 19). PENTLAND BEAUTY (8-11) 9th of 18 to 5 M (9-6) at Lakeaster (8t, £828, firm, Nor 1). GURSISSANO (8-11) 7th of 8 to Topharrs Taverns (8-8) on final start (York, 8t, £2,537, good to soft, Oct 6) earlier 51 3rd (8-8) to Cutting Wind (8-1) at Epsom (7t, £1,928, firm, Aug 30).

Setections GURSISSANO.

5.15 SPRINGTIME APPRENTICE HANDICAP (2923:

1 3000 WILLE GAN (C) Denys Smith 6-9-13 \_\_D Leadbitter 15
2 0000- DUNHAM PARK (C,D) J Riz-Gerald 7-9-13 \_G Brown 12
3 000-0 O I O'STON (C,D) J Berry 8-9-12 \_\_\_\_\_\_M Berry 1
4 0421- ROMANTIC KNIGHT (D) M H Easterby 4-9-11

4 Pagan Sun, 9-2 O 1 Cyston, 11-2 Romantic Knight, Late Hour, 9 attation, 14 Dunham Park, 18 Royal Duty, Kyroota, 20 others.

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2.30 ELTISLEY NOVICE CHASE (Div I: £1,256: 3m
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10 32ff CLONEEN KING P Rensom 9-11-1
14 2100 GOLD RACER I Dudseon 7-11-1
16 1/0-up LAST RAINBOW C Drew 8-11-1S McNell
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20 9002 IMGHTY GENERAL J Gilford 6-11-1R Rowe
21 19-0 NEXT WEEK M W Dickinson 7-11-1
22 3f04 PEDISUS F Lees 8-11-1S Johnson
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Charle Kigour, 18 Mong Led, 12 Sheley Crapella, 14 others.

1983: Supervizz 6-11-2 M Owyer (5-1 /t-lav/) J Filterie Kigour, 18 Mong Led, 12 Sheley Crapella, 14 others.

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GOOD: Soft 2.30 2m 4/ chase 1. CLASSIFIED (P Croucher, 4-5tav); 2. Ballycross (P Dever 6-1); 3. Run To Me (6 Fowel, 14-1). Also run 5-0 Fury Boy (url. 7-0 Apple)o (441) 33-0 Potar Express (8th), Sheoklekans Fier, 50-0 Runwick Prospect (8th), 100-0 Dan Dan. 9 ran. Head, 8. N Henderson at Lambourn. Tote: \$1.50; £1.00, £1.30, £1.40. DF: £3.90. CSF £5.99.

23.0 (27.A). Dr. 23.A). COF 13.25.
2.0 (2m 4) chee) 1. SAFFRON KING (Mr L Fogary, 4-1); 2. Assured (Miss S Lawrence, 8-1); 3. Laker (Ar S Sharwood, evers tay). Also rare 7-6 Sub Rose (6th, 11-0 Danning Bith, 16-0 Royal Chassic (PU); 20-0 Crawford Cross, 33-0 Abo (4th, 60-0 Tenam (PU); 9 ran 1/4, 15, Miss P Barnes at Wolng, Tote: 23-90; 21.40, 21.90, 21.50, Dr. 219.40. CSF 522.84. 2.30 (2m 4t chase) 1, GAMERIC P Scudamore, 2-1; 2, Mossy Moore (J Francome, 5-4 fav; 3, Gaummy's Best (A Webber, 14-1), Also ran: 10-0 Co Meober (PU); 12-0 Noon Gun, Giber, Landing Board (401); 14-0 Spanish Streak (Bin), 7 Ran. 5, 9, D Micholson at Show-on-the-Wold, Tote: 52.80; \$1.90, \$1.50, DF; \$2.30, CSF \$4.82.

4.4.52
4.9 (am chase) 1. QUARRIÈR (Mr T Thomson Jones, 5-4 toy); 2. De Phrvinel (Capt G Prest, 3-1); 1. Stane Hill (Spt D Warren, 25-1). Also ran: 4. Pine (king (plup). 11. Rushbury (felt), 16. Baltyculo (plup). 25 Right Lady (felt), 50 Pour Poster (4th). Swinging Light (5th). 9 ran. NR: Nova Gala. 8., dist. 7 A Forster at Wantage. Tote: \$2.50; £1.50, £1.10, £1.70. DF: £3.20, CSF £5.24.

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5.5 (2m Chase) 1. LEFT BANK (J. Francome, 4-1; 2. Toireabhasen (N. Madden, 7-2 law; 3. Romany Nightshade (H. Davies, 9-2). Also ran: 5. Midnight Song (4m), 8. Sperring Sam (pulp.) 10. Residess Short (5th), 14. Walmut Wonder (pulp.), Bermy's Boy (fell), 20. Zeidar Fency (9th), 25. Broadless (pulp.), 100 Current Chance (eff.), 17 ran, 91, (0). D. Morley at Bury St. Edmandis, Tote: WIN: £2.90; paces: £1.20. £1.50, £1.50, DF: £10.50, CSF: £17.69. TRICAST: £50.22. TOTE DOUBLE £7.63. TOTE TROUBLE £24.85. JACKPOT: £1.032.65. PLACEPOT: £1.90.

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Athens (AP) - Greek Olympic officials said on Monday they were satisfied that American organizers will not continue with the contro-

**OLYMPIC GAMES** 

**Americans** 

curtail

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versial commercial sponsorship of the Olympic torch relay for this

Summer's games in Los Angeles.
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the selling of the relay has officially and categorically ended," the secretary-general of Gresce's

The committee had been con-

vinced by the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee's Intest assurance, and would do everything

assurance, and would do everything to ensure the Olympic fiame's "smooth and traditional transfer to the United States."

A bitter feed has been raging for many months, between the Los Angeles Olympic organizers and Greek officials, over American plans to raise \$30m for youth spons programmes. The Greeks opposite plan, which allowed montors in pay \$3,000 for each illumetre covered by Olympic turch bearers in the United States.

According to Peter Ueberroth, the president of LACOC, some 4,000 kilometres of the 19,000 kilometre coast-to-coast relay have already found sponsors. He said 9,000 kilometres would be ten without sponsors, by anateur athletes and former American marathon champions.

champions.
Mr Filaretos said the LAOOC's
decision to call a halt to accepting
contributions from spousors was "a
compromise but the only solution to

But Spyros Fotious, the mayor of aucient Olympia, near the site of the original Olympia Games of 776BC.

original Olympic Games of 1700c, has said his 700 villagers are determined to stand in the way of the flame-kindling ceremony "unless American organizers give back all the

noney aiready collected". The flame

money already collected." The flamelighting is scheduled for May 3.

The flame will be electronically
transmitted to the United States
from Greece on May 7. The
ceremony, in New York City,
launches the relay that ends on July
28 in Los Angeles at the opening of
the Games.

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Swiss can

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success

The Swiss and the Americans, rising to the great occasions, took most of the honours in the Alpine ski racing season, which ended in Oslo at the weekend.

The leading figures in both teams suffered bitter disappointments but

suffered bitter disappointments, but not many passed up the extra opportunities of success and world-wide fame offered in an Olympic

season.
The versatile Pirmin Zurbriggen

and the staten specialist. Enka
Hess, revovered from Olympic
failure to win the overall men's and
women's World Cups. Debble

Armstrong and Peter Meuller came nowhere in the World Cup but won

gold and silver at Sarajevo. And the Mahre twins took gold and silver in

the Olympic slalom and promptly

"It is winning the Olympics which counts in the history books,"

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ATHLETICS: SOUTH AFRICAN'S OLYMPIC AMBITIONS

# Miss Budd runs into tough opposition on the first lap

covered the first lap, never mind reached the bell, in her race to represent Britain at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles in August. Though her switch from South African to British nationality now seems assured. she has many more barriers to clear, not the least being a lormidable group of British women who are harbouring the same ambition.

this year have been exceptional. but her intended new homeland has also taken great strides forwards over 3.000 metres, the event in which she is most likey to seek Olympic selection, during the past two years,

Zola Budd's best times in comparison to world and British records over relevant Olympic distances:

800 METRES: World record: J Kratochvilova (Cz). 1 min 53.28 sec. British record: C Boxer, 1-59.06, Zola Budd: 2-0.9, 1500 METRES: World record: T Kazankina (USSR), 3-52.47, British record: C Berning, 4-1.53, Zola Budd: 4-1.83. a-1:03. 3000 METRES: World record: S Ulmasova (USSR), 8-26.78. British record: W Siy, 8-37.06. Zola Budd: 8-37.50.

Five or the six fastest times on the United Kingdom alltime list have been set since 1981, and the British No 2 Jane Furniss, said vesterday that Miss Budd may need more than a few months to adapt to the demands of competition over

here: At the age of 17. Miss Budd has this year run within a few lenths of a second of the British icriths of a second of the British records for 800, 1.500, and 3.000 metres. Her greatest potential appears to be over the british soon metres record holder further suggested that the

RUGBY LEAGUE

Zola Budd has hardly 5,000 metres, in which she has overed the first lap, never been credited with 15min 01.83sec. some seven seconds faster than the official world record held by Mary Decker, of the United States, But, since there is to be no women's race at that distance in Los Angeles, she will have to choose between 1,500 metres and 3,000 metres. Miss Furniss, who was

seventh in the world championame ambition.

Miss Budd's performances his year have been exceptional the intended new homeland as also taken great strides orwards over 3.000 metres, the vent in which she is most likey of seek Olympic selection, ship 3,000 metres last August, Olympic trials and there are loads of girls capable of giving her a good race. She might not be able to cope with having so many people up with her instead of being out on her of being out on her

Miss Budd, formerly matriculation student at the Central High School in Bloem-fontein, has become the world's best-known barefoot runner, going without shoes because she regards them as a physical handicap. She has never been spiked, mainly because South Africa has no one capable of getting anywhere near her, but to continue barefoot in Britain

would be to invite injury.

Christina Boxer. Britain's leading candidate for the Olympic 1,500 metres, said yesterday: "She would not be able to compete barefoot in Britain not only because of the athletes around her but also because the tartan surface is slippery when

Univ), A Revensiey (Donosster Coll). P Sheera (Liverpool Univ), P Sherman (Bradford Urely) H Sherp (Leeds Poly).

On Sunday the fourtythird

amateur international between Great Britain and France, will be played at Oldham. The British team, which includes ten new caps,

will be looking for their seventh successive victory over France. The

game receives sponsorship from Greater Manchester Council and

Oldham Metropolitan Borough.

The Great Britain tour of

Australasia from May 13 to August 9 will include three internationals in

Australia and three in New Zealand.

Fulham will play Kent Invicta in

a friendly at Craven Cottage on May
4, the eve of the Challenge Cup final
at Wembley. The Invicta vice-chairman. Len Pearce said: "We threw

down the challenge and they accepted. We hope it will become an

**EQUESTRIANISM** 

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Time is not on the side of Miss Budd.

osychological pressure placed on Miss Budd might be too elbows and hands, anything much for one so young Everyone is going to expect her to do amazing things, but it is not a foregone conclusion. A lot will depend on her character. Some athletes cope better with pressure than others and we can't tell at the moment how

she will react." While one leading South African newspaper commented that Miss Budd could hardly be blamed for wanting inter-national competition, the presi-Amateur Athletic Union, Charles Nieuwoudt, was pessimistic for her chances of living up to expectations in Britain.

deep end of a pool before you can swim", he said, "It's a real war over there. You ask for from the International Olympic nothing and nothing is given. Committee.

You get boxed in, they use goes. Our athletes lead a protected life. We apply the rules very strictly. Zola is small, slim and very shy. I am really feeling sorry for her."

Provided Miss Budd is granted a British passport - and the Home Office has said it would view "with sympathy" her application - she would then need to overcome rule number eight of the Olympic Charter. The rule states that an dent of the South African athlete must wait three years after a change of nationality. but this can be reduced, or even cancelled, by agreement between the international feder-"It's like beig thrown into the ation and the national Olymic committee concerned. Further approval would then be needed

#### SPORTS COUNCIL

#### Council warning on drugs

consider withdrawing their grants from governing bodies who refuse to introduce random drug-testing. John Wheatley, the Sports Council's director general, said yesterday that they had decided to take greater responsibility, for remediate drugs. responsibility for removing drug abuse, and that withdrawing their grant aid support was one of the options they will consider.

He said: "All the governing bodies I have spoken to are in favour of this move. Sport is concerned with housesty and health, and drags are

The Sports Council are to concerned with cheating and illness and the Sports Council cannot stand by and watch this situation." At present, only 14 of the 60 governing bodies under the Sports Council's umbrella use the free drag-testing facilities which have been made available by the Council. The Council's recommendation

will now be put to Minister of Sport, Neil Maciariane, before be goes to a conference of European sports ministers in Main, which will consider a European anti-doping

#### RUGBY UNION

#### Colclough leaves the international scene

Maurice Colclough, the British Lions and England lock, has retired from international rugby. He informed the RFU secretary Bob Weighill yesterday from his home in France, where he has been sorting out business commitments.

Colclough will be unable to tour with England if they vote to go to South Africa this summer and his loss will be a considerable blow for the England coach Richard Greenwood.

Colcioush, who will still be available for Wasps and his county, available for Wasps and als chany, Sussex, has won 21 England caps and played in all four internationals for the Lions on their tours to South Africa (1980) and New Zenland (1983).

The England captain, Peter Wheeler, said, "This is a big blow.

Maurice is a hig man in all respects and he will be missed on and off the field by the players.
"He will be very difficult to follow and players with his international experience are hard to replace. I battle against injury. plus business commitments in France, and it must have been a major strain on him this

"There are a number of young locks who have been making noises and now one of them is going to get a chance sooner than he thought. David Hands writes: Colclough's decision will further weaken Eng-land in an area where they have no obvious replacements. The lineon bas been a major source of discussion during this season's championship and some thought



Colclough: difficult to follow

must have been given to moving Colclough back to No 4 - the

when England won the Grand Slam in 1980.

During the Lions' tour of New Zealand in 1983, he had only just recovered from cartilage and liagament damage sustained playing against France in January and was no at his best. Things did not improve this season. He performed criditably as leader of the London division side which ran the All Blacks close and scored the only try Blacks close and scored the only try of the match when England heat New Zealand last November, That was the highlight of his, and England's season. As Syddall, the Waterloo lock, is injured the selectors may now take a closer look at Cusani and Kimmins, the Orrell

#### Bailey takes the helm from the port side

Mark Bailey, the Cambridge University captain and England trialist left wing, will lead England's Under-23 team against a Rest team composed of England students at Richmond on April 4. The game will act as a trial for selection of the

May.

In view of the controversy which surrounded the position of left wing in England's senior side last season. it is interesting to see that the Under-23 team includes another left wing. Goodwin, of Moseley, on the

Under-23 party to tour Spain in

right.

Bailey has two of his Cambridge colleagues in the backs. Simms, the Liverpool centre, and Andrew at stand-off half, who played for the Under-23s last season. The forwards

cester loose head prop, whose brother Steve was capped at senior level as a replacement against Ireland this season.

in the Leicester side

#### Date goes against Bath

(David Hands wites).

After the semi-final was washed out last Saturday by the weather.

Nottingham offered April 7 as an alternative. Bath's committee met on Monday evening and suggested April 14.

· Bath argued that the April 7 date was only a week after the county

championship final when 13 of their players will be representing Somer set. They are understandably analous to avoid injuries with a cuptie looming, yet had last Saturday's game taken place. Bath would have been without two injured first

been without two injured first choice players.

The April 14 date, however, would have allowed Bath to select Chilcott, their regular loose head prop, who is currently serving a suspension which ends on April 12. The winners on April 7 will meet Bristol, the holders, in the final.

# By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Stuart Redfern played for the Midlands division against New Zealand last November but was

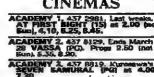
prevented by unjury from bidding for higher honours. He is now back

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Squash rackets: Miss Cumings is poised to challenge the best



Reaching for success: Alison Cumings, honing her game for this year's British Open. (Photograph: lan Stewart).

# All-rounder angling for the top

That renowned Guernsey coach, Reg Harbour, is a former mathematics master who has applied the principles of geometry to the tactical patterns of squash. There is a perverse logic in the fact that a likeminded young womam, Alison Cumings, has long been a source of competitive anxiety to the Guernsey-born players who rank first and second in Britain: Lisa Opie and Martine le Moignan.

Miss Cumings, who beat both to win the national championship 14 months ago, knows plenty about angles. She would have been a draughtswoman had she not been a squash professional, and she finds the mobile geometry of snooker relaxing. Snooker arrived in the Reigate house-

hold during a period when Miss Curnings was not fit enough to play squash. For the second time, injury had introduced her to a new sporting interest. A decade ago her father, formerly a racing cyclist, had a cartilage operation and turned to squash to keep himself fit. After his matches he would play a few shots with Alison.
"Squash was the last sport I took up," she
said. "I was about 14. Within a year I'd got
in the Surrey team. But there were not that many juniors: anyone who could hit the ball and run could do well."

Oddly, Miss Curnings has had no particular coach, though several distinguished players, including Hiddy Jahan and Barbara Diggens, have advised her. "And I've got my own personal feed: my Dad. We play for hours and hours.

"You can do it on your own I think that's why I've done well. But I need somebody to help me mentally when I'm not playing my strokes."

The biggest influence on her game was probably that of John Skinner, a former British international, who helped her through four teenage years. She felt they had much in common. "He'd never been coached, really, and didn't play a very conventional game," she said.

"She had a lot of talent," Skinner says, "but she was rather lazy and stiff-legged to start with: not the good mover she is now." "But she progressed and I asked Ken Davies of Slazenger to have a look at her. He gave her a contract."

Miss Curnings did very well indeed. Last September, however, she was suddenly reduced to one sound foot when suddenly reduced to one sound foot when playing. Rebecca Best in the final of a fournament at Munich. A metatarsal bone had snapped in half. "I heard it go, but I tried to play on, hopping along." That put her out of the game for almost five months—and out of the national rankings, too. She missed the world championship series and could not defend her British ritle but and could not defend her British utle, but her first tournament back she beat Carin Clonda of Australia, ranked fifth in the world. A week later she took a game from Miss Opie, which is not an easy thing

"You must be in the top four here to earn a living"

"If I can challenge Lisa after a five-month lay-off I've got to feel confident of challenging anybody, Alison said. "No one else in this country has done that against Lisa this season. She's being coached by Jonah Barrington and she's getting everything, right." Miss Opie, Miss Curnings, Miss le Moignan, and Ruth Strauge all against hettragen 20 and 22 years Strauss, all aged between 20 and 22 years in Australian hands.

"We've pushed each other up, Alison said. "I can be No 1. If it has to be No 2 or No 3 I don't mind, as long as I feel that I've fulfilled my potential. There's still a lot to come."

Miss Cumings reckons that the contract has provided about 30 per cent of her income. Prize money has raised about 20 per cent. The other 50 per cent has come from her sponsors. Avia International, the watch company. "In this country you have to be in the top four to start earning a living from the game." To save money for overseas tours she has worked part-time at two local greengrocers and she now works three hours a day packing watches.

The Cumings family have all been gifted at one sport or another. "My parents and sister reached quite a high level. Dad was a preny good cyclist, and my sister Elaine swam for Surrey under-18s.

Miss Cumings excelled as a schoolgid at hockey, netball, athletics, and even football. She three the javelin for Surrey, once competing against Fatima Whitb-read. She three the javelin for Surrey, once competing against Fatima Whitbread. She played five-a-side football for Oxted in the final of the Oxted teams who won five consecutive national hockey titles. One of the other interests was art. I

liked drawing. I took O-levels at art, technical drawing, and maths, because I knew that if I couldn't do some kind of sport, those were the most important exams for a draughtswoman. At the same time as I was taking my O levels I won the British junior open and got selected for England. My parents decided they would allow me to have a year at squash, just to see in what direction I could go".

They know now. "It was always my ambition to become good in one of the sports, to succeed at something in life, to get to the top in whatever job I was going to do. I know where I want to get to. That's why I've done well. If you really want to do it you will keep on going and eventually it will come right."

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Britain aim for first win There is one area of rugby league where Britain does not dominate France. At senior student level, tive games, with the tweffth taking place in Villeneuve-sur-Lot tomorrow. The British students have been undergoing intense preparation with their coach. Geoff Peggs. The game is making rapid strides

The game is making rapid strides among senior students under the auspices of the University and College Amateur Rugby League Association, but the French students have had an organized 13-a-side game for much longer and are extremely strong. The British team contains players from four universities one polytechnic type college. silies, one polytechnic, two colleges

and one technical college.

TEAM: A Beiley (Salford Univ), M Branch (Liverpool Univ); A Browne (Walselied Datrict Coll), M Bagshaw (Leverpool Univ), D Burke (Levels Poly), A Dakin, D Elle, K Ells (Walselied Datrict Coll), M Hancock (Migen Tech), K Hinchley (Liverpool Univ), P Proctor (Bradfords

#### SCHOOLS FOOTBALL Two Essex schools unbeaten

Two Essex schools can look back on the Lent term with satisfaction. Chigwell despite losing Tapper, their prolific goal scorer in the Christmas term, have fared well not lining a school match, and including a 6-3 win over Westminster. a 6-3 win over Westminster.
Brentwood have swept all before
them, winning their 10 school
matches, among which were 6-1
victories over Haileybury and
Christ's Hospital. Allison and
Sakala over the season since
September have scored 53 goals
between them.

Charterhouse this week started a tour in Bermuda to conclude their season. Griffiths has been outstanding during the term scoring 14 of their 39 goals including two hattacks. The highlights were against hing Edward's School, Witley.

Oratory and Sandhurst. King Edward's School. Witley, were particularly pleased to com-

plete a first ever double against Lancing. Having won 1-0 in November they followed this up by winning 3-1 in March. Snashall, their captain and goalkeeper, with three others, played for Southern Public Schools. Millfield include in their opposition no fewer than six professional

youth teams and recently they defeated a Bristol City youth XI. In their school matches they have lost only to Torquay Grammar School and rounded off their season with a good XI was over Charaches. good 3-1 win over Charterhouse. Worcester Royal GS had six players in representative matches, Rowberry, Newman and Warrington, who is only 15. being outstanding. They have lost once and that only by the odd goal to Gandsworth GS, and have achieved word word word property (Figure and good wins against Clifton and Bedford. In their half term tour to the north they were unbeaten, with

successes against Burnley and QEGS Blackburn. Of the other Lent term schools, Harrow have a remarkable un-heaten record of 17 matches against

IN BRIEF MOTORCYCLING: A world re-cord £101,000 prize for the sport cord £101,000 prize for the sport was put on offer yesterday by Motor Circuit Developments, operators of Brands Hatch. Oulton Park and Snetterton, It will go to any rider who wins all six legs of the Transnational Trophy which takes place over Easter and Mayday the corders the three MCT circuits. weekends at the three MCD circuits

and Donington. VOLLEYBALL: Lyn Tennant, the former Scottish international who moved South to play for Hillingdon, the English champions, is now eligible through marriage to play for England. She is likely to be chosen in the squad for the Spring Cup in a est Germany next month.

7.45) UEFA Under 21 Competition Curra Under 21 Competition Quarter-final, second leg France v England (in Rouen, 2.0) Second division Newcestle United v Leeds United

# By a Special Correspondent

Lucinda and David Green will be taking a lorry-load of horses to the Rushall horse trial, sponsored by Midland Bank, in Wiltshire today, hoping for better weather than they had on Sunday at Freusham, where

Mrs Green, the world champion, Mrs Green, the world champion, rides no fewer than 'four horses, Regal Realm. Village Gossip. Shannagh and Encounter, all sponsored by SR Direct Mail. With Regal Realm being saved for the Olympic Games, the 16-year-old Gossip is a possible contender for next month's Badminton three-day event, sexumine that he continues to event, assuming that he continues to make light of his advancing years. Virginia Holgate, deprived of a run with British National Insur-

ance's Night Cap on Sunday, has been allowed to make a late entry at Rushall. The horse needs an outing at this stage of his preparation for

at this stage of his preparation for Badminton.

Both Richard Meade (with George Wimpey's Timaru) and Capt Mark Phillips (on the Range Rover team's Blizzard II) will be confining their efforts to the open intermediate class. Their Badminton entries will be waiting for Brigstock on Sunday.

Meade was one of those who had a ride at Frensham before the event was abandoned. But he would not describe that as an advantage since

The cross-country course at Rushall has been moved to higher ground and many of the fences will be visible from the hilltop car park."

describe that as an advantage since Timaru fell at the water.

Thanksgiving service A service of thanksgiving for Geoffrey Miller, the European sports editor of Associated Press, who died in Sarajevo last month, will be held at the church of St Bride. Fleet Street, at noon on Thursday. April 5.

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#### least display a certain amount of licence in saying it is without doubt the finest to come his way. Eaton Square is the key, however, for Andrew Langton, managing director of Aylesford and Company -

who offered this description - added that if you ask half a dozen agents for the very best location, most would say it has got to be Eaton Square, then Grosvenor Squarc." Mr Langton believes there are not so many good flats in London, compared with New York or Paris for

about the description of a maisonette in central London as "one of the better flats to come on to the market in Eaton Square", when one expects an estate agent to exaggerate the claims of a property he is selling, or at

example, but he is selling one now - at No 93. Eaton Square, former home of the Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin at an asking price of £1,260,000. It was at one time the headquarters of the Nuffield Foundation and then was acquired by Iranians in the 1970s. When a rebuilding programme was nearly completed, the house burned

down in mysterious circumstances. Whatever the cause, the house was shell, leaving a good view of the sky rom the basement. Since then the house has been totally rebuilt and divided into three flats, the first two going for £1m and £450,000.

The last carpets are now being laid.

on the remaining maisonette, which occupies the ground floor and basement, or lower ground floor as it is called in order not to offend anyone's sensibilities. The joint agents, Aylesford and Knight Frank and Rutley, are offering it on a 62year lease with fitted carpets, curtains and other fixtures The interior has been decorated by

Colefax and Fowler in classical style, less rich than the "Arab renaissance" which demands gold taps as a start, in the hope that it will attract Europeans or British rather than just oil-rich

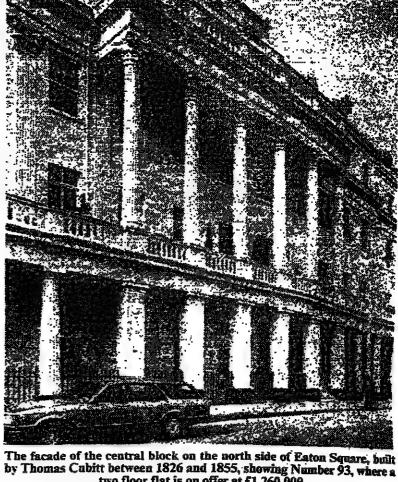
Many of the rooms have trompe d'oeil effects, with plaster painted to look uncannily like marble and one wall to look like stone, done by Jim Hardy.

The accommodation includes a bedroom suite, three more double bedrooms and a maid's bedroom, all with a bathroom en suite. The master suite includes a study/library, dressing room and bathroom, and is a formal reception room and dining room. The lower loor looks out on to a patio garden with a spiral staircase to a paved terrace, and the property has a comprehensive security system

Not surprisingly there is only a
limited number of people interested

in the best of London flats, and it will not be advertised in the normal way. instead the agents will draw up a list of those they think might be

To judge by the experience of the agents. Chestertons, in Grosvenor Square - second best to Eaton Square according to Andrew Langton - few British customers are likely to be on



two floor flat is on offer at £1,260,000.

the list. Chesterton's Mayfair office bathrooms at 40 Cumberland Terrace, have sold six flats in Grosvenor Regent's Park, for £285,000 on a 40 Square in the last six months for a total of £3m. with prices ranging from £150,000 to over £800,000.

An Indian bought two adjoining flats for around £1.5m; a Greek

purchased a substantial first floor flat; an Ameriaca bought a 7th floor flat with a separate studio and root terrace; a Frenchman purchased a two bedroomed flat and an Iranian bought a three bedroomed flat. Chestertons have at present on

offer in the square a substantial penthouse of contemporary design for about fim. and a basement flat with indoor patio and plunge pool for £450,000. Back in Grosvenor Square, again on the favoured north side, Howard Minter and Company are offering a two-floor flat at No 110 at £650.000

for a 341/2 year lease. The newly refurbished property, owned by an antique dealer, is on the first and second floor. The flat has a dining room kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with bathroom en suite, with two further bedrooms and another bathroom.

If one must move away from the wo squares, and somebody has to, a flat in a Nash terrace overlooking Regent's Park could provide a tolerable alternative. Hampton and Sons are offering an apartment with 3

The apartment was once the home of Mrs Simpson. Duchess of Windsor. and is on the second floor behind elegant white pillars, with direct views over the gardens of Cumberland Terrace and the expanse of the park. Only the trees should hide a view

across the park to the west, to Clarence Terrace, where Pearsons are asking £300,000 for a first floor flat at Number 22, a former home of Lord Litchfield. The building with its Corinthian columns, was designed by Decimus Burton between 1821 and 1823 under the direction of John The flat contains a drawing room,

dining room, double bedroom, single bedroom/study, bathroom and kitchen. The drawing room overlooks the park and its sash windows lead to the colonnaded balcony, and the flat is offered on an 81 year lease. A view of the park is one thing

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this winter. being reintroduced and prices staba-lizing after the frenetic upward trends of the past four year, potential UK purchasers have become more selective and are prepared to shop around before deciding on their eventual

leisure home.

The Costa del Sol is still, without doubt, where most of the British aim to buy. The choice is vast, there is no closed season and the optism of the developer seems ever-increasing, particularly as the Middle-Eastern market there is still strong.

The top end of the market is

centred around the vicinity of the Marbella Club where one project currently well into its third phase, El Ancon Sierra, is being built by British developer John Green's company, City and St. James's Investments Ltd.

El Ancon Sierra, situated on a sloping site within the Las Lomas de Marbella Club estate, just behind the Saudi Arabian king's palace, has views both over the Mediterrean to Gibraltar and Tangier and inland to the foothills of the Sierra Blanca.

Unusually for a development so close to Marbella's town centre, John Green has managed to create a tranquil environment within the estate - not an easy achievement along this coast where urban living is becoming the norm.

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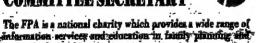
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# Today's television and radio programmes

Summaries by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

Liszt's Venezia e Napoli: Gondolista: Tarantella, G 162.† 11.15 News. Until 11.18 VHF only – Open University. 6.35-8.55am Open Forum: Students' magazine; 11.20pm Social Sciences magazine; 11.40-12.00 Magnetic Circuits.

Radio 2

News on the hour (except 9.00pm).
Major busetins: 7.00am, 1.00pm, 5.00
and 12.00 midnight. News headlines:
5.30am, 6.30, 7,30 and 8.30 (MF/MW),
4.00 Colin Berry, 1.5.30 Ray Moora, 1.7.30
Terry Wogan tinct 8.31 Racing Busetin,
10.00 Jimmy Young, 1.12.00 Stave Jones
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way, 1.4.00 David Hamiston finct 4.02;
5.05 Sport, 6.00 John Dunn find 7.40
Milk Cup Final replay (MF/MW), 9.30
Listen to the Band, 9.55 Sports Desk,
10.00 Give us a Conchi (ast of the
series) Paddy Feeney presents a natural
history c(tiz, with guests battling for the
gittering conch shall, 10.30 Hitbert
Gregg says Thanks for the Memory,
11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round
Midnight (stereo from midnight) 1.00am
Charles Nove presents Nightinds, 3.00
Olympic Memories Lynn Davies and
some team-makes share memories of

Compact Memories Lyan bevies and come team-males share memories of Tokyo 1964.1 3.30-4.00 Tommy Relity.1 VHF-4.00 With Radio 2 7.40 John Dum. 8.00 Ht List. 8.30 BBC Radio Orch. 9.15 Listen to the Band. 9.30 With Radio 2

10.00 With Radio 1, 12.00-4.00 am With Radio 2.

Radio 1

News on the half-hour from 6.30 am until 8.30 pm and at 12.00 Midnight (MF/MW).
6.00am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read.
9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies, incl 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Stove Wright.
4.30 Peter Powell Incl 5.30 Newsbeat.

**WORLD SERVICE** 

6.00 Newadesk, 6.30 Talking About Music, 7.00 World News, 7.05 Twenty-Four Hours, 7.30 Let There Bo Drunta, 7.45 Report on Religion, 8.00 World News, 8.08 Reflectione, 8.15 Peables' Choica, 8.30 Two Cheers for March, 9.00 World News, 8.03 Teview of the

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6.00 Centax AML 6.30 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. New from Fern Britton at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; television preview at 6.55; review of the morning papers at 7.18 and 8.18; Mike

Smith with the new Top Twenty between 7.55 and 8.00; and horoscopes at 8.33. 9.00 Beliamy on Botany. In part six of David Beliamy's ten programme series he examines Decay and Delicacy (r) 9.25 Cestax 10.30 Play School, presented by Chice Ashcroft (r) 10.55 Gharbar. Magazine programme of interest to Asian women. Today, Parveen Mizra talks to representatives of the London-based voluntary organisation, Sangan 11.20 Ceetax.

12.30 News After Noon with Richard more and Frances Coverdale. The weather prospects come from Bill Giles 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report tollowed by news headlines with subtitles) 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. The guests include cooks Michael Smith and Prue Leith 1.45 Bod (r).

2.00 Film: Secret Beyond the Door\* (1948) starring Joan Bennett and Michael Redgrave. Celia discovers too tate that she had married in has a side to his side to his nature that she never lo existed. Directed by Fritz Lang.

3.35 Cartoon: Tom and Jerry 3.48
Regional news (not London)
3.50 Magic Roundabout (r)
3.55 Play School, presented by Sheelagh Gilbey (r) 4.20 The New Adventures of Mighty Mouse (r) 4.25
Jackmory 4.40 Restaghest (r)
5.05 Newsround with Paul
McDowell 5.10 Moonfleet. The final episode of the seafaring

5.46 Sixty Minutes includes news from Moira Stuart at 5.40.

5.40 Harty. The final programme of the series and Russell's guests include the Codo Demon Drummers and Dancers of Sado and, making their first appearance as the group Oasis, Peter Skellern, Mary Hopkin and Julian Lloyd

7.10 Medical Express, Back trouble is the main item this week. The painful condition is estimated to cost industry eleven and a half million working days a year and the NHS some 260 million. There is also news of a successful

7.40 The Day of the Triffids. Part four of the science fiction serial based on the book by John Wyndham (r).

8.10 Fame, Miss Sharwood's new teaching methods strains the honesty of some of the pupils at New York's High School for the Performing Arts. 9.00 News with Sue Lawley.

9.25 Q.E.D.: Testing Testing. The first of a new se by Anthony Clare examines how ordinary things are tested in an extraordinary way (see Choice).

9.55 Sportsnight introduced by Harry Carpenter Includes coverage of the Courage Soccer Six tournament and three greyhound races from Wimbledon, Saturday's Grand National is also previewed. 11.18 News headlines.

11.20 Reminator Steels, A crooked casino manager receives his 12.10 Weather.

Tv-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain with John Stapleton and Nick John Stapleton and Nick Owen. News from Gordon Honeycombe at 6,30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.35; exercis at 0.35 and 7.35; exercises at 6.50 and 9.15; the day's anniversaries at 7.05 and 9.05; a guest in the Spotlight at 7.20; Carboon at 7.25; Pat Phoenix at 7.40, 8.45, and 9.12; 7.55 pop video: Ray Davies's magic moments at 8.10; Eve Pollard's gossip column at 8.35.

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9.25 Themas news headlines, 9.30 For Schools: War reporting. 9.47 Teaching children safety 10.04 The customs and events associated with Easter 10.21 The importance of writing Summer 1968 11.18 The people and elements of a village 11.22 Basic maths 11.39 How we used to live. The coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

12.00 Flicks. Christopher Lillicrap with the story of Peter's Chair 12.10 Sounda Like a Story. Mark Wynter with the tale of The Fisherman and the Genie (r) 12,30 Three Little Words Oulz game for married couples.

1.00 News with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames news from Robin Houston 1.30 A Pius. Kay Avila talks to Ann Oakley about miscarriages, 2.00 Crown Court. Continuing the case of the Pakistani accused of .

assaulting a right-wing youth. 2.30 A Country Practice. Drama serial about a medical practice in the Australian outback 3.30 Sons and Daughters. Stavie fights for his life.

4.00 Filcks. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.15 Batfink. 4.20 Letty. Part one of a new series begins with Letty and her three friends, Brian, Trevor and Cath, arriving at the Meadowbank Children's Home. 4.50 Jangles. Final episode (r) 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. Pat Sugden orders her former husband out of Beckindale. Will he take their

5.45 News 6.00 Themes news with Andrew Gardner and Tina Crossroads. Carole Sands is put in a difficult position by her brother Colin while Doug

daughter with him?

Brady asks a big favour of his brother-in-law. 6.40 This is Your Life. Eamonn Andrews with another potted biography.

7.10 Coronation Street, Bet Lynch accepta Fred Gee's invitation to accompany him to the brewery's dinner/dance but Betty Turpin refuses to run the Rovers' on her own (Oracle titles page 170).

7.40 Football: Milk Cup Final Replay. Brian Moore is the commentator at Maine Road. Manchester, for the match between Liverpool and Everton. Brian Clough is on hand to make pithy

9.30 Charse. Part two of the fourpart thriller mixing murder with union corruption. Starring David Warrier (Oracle titles page 170).

10.30 News followed by Thames news headlines. 11.00 Thames Sport Special introduced by Steve Rider. Five-a-side football from Wembley and boxing from Aberavon where Colin Jones meets Allan Braswell in a welterweight contest.

12,25 Night Thoughts from Rev Bill

Toy gun tester at work: Q.E.D. (68C1, 9.25pm)

BBC 2

5.55 Open University: Chemistry Crystals. 7.20 Looking at Poems. 7.45 Conceptual

Models in Stratigraphy, Ends at \$.15. 9.00 Confee.

Daytime on Two: Animals of the soil. 10.00 Clap hands. 10.15 Maths counts. 10.38

11.00 Trog and the dog. 11.17 Children's film music. 11.39

Writing music for film and television themas, 12.05 The

members of parlament, 12.55
Micros in schools, 1.21 haly
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Part four of The Daughter of
King Ron. 2.01 Houses of
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different countries. 2.18

Narrative writing for beginners. 2.40 Zig Zag.

5,10 Mentally Handicapped: A Dependent Future. An Open University production that

5.35 News summary with subtitles. 5.40 Film: Gunfighters of Casa

Cowboy yarn about a

Roy Rowlands.

track of Tom.

active service.

9.00 Pot Black-84. The first

(see Choice).

10.30 Newsnight.

unit (r).

2.35 Geoffrey Smith's World of

7.10 Swallows and Amezons Forever! The nasty Hullabaloos are still on the

7.35 Open Space: Only Fools and

8.05 Sellor. The final programme of

some of the crew of the

the series examines what

scrapped aircraft carrier Ark

Royal are doing now, eight years after they were filmed on

Flowers. This week Mr Smith examines the history and origins of mountain flowers (r).

semifinal - John Spencer

Episode 12, Roger Caulte's career is rocked by a scandal

meets a girl who is strangely

versus Jimmy White.

11.15 The Twilight Zone: Nightmare as a Child\* A schoolmaster

11.40 We Bring You Live Pictures. Part three of the history of the

BBC's outside broadc

12.10 Open University: Computing: Linear Equations 12.35 Non-Euclidean Geometry. Ends at

Sportsmen. A documentary that examines drug abuse in

sport - something that has reached epidemic proportions

Grande (1964) starring Alex Nicol and Steve Rowland,

notorious gunman, Joe Daylight, and his attempts to

rustie a number of large herds of cattle, alded and abstrad by

a gang of outlaws. The first ranch they decide to attack is the Casa Grande. Directed by

Mary, two mentally handicapped people

examines the lives of Alan and

3.00 Ceefax.

information on food label

final lesson of the Italian

conversation course.

examines the work of

12.30 The last in a series that

For reasons it would take a psychiatrist to fathorn, the commentary for TESTING, TESTING (BBC 1, 9, 25pm), the film that rings up the curtain on another series of Q.E.D., the science for Everyman series, is delivered by the BBC's resident psychiatrist, Anthony Clara. resident psychiatrist, Anthony Clare. It is not as if he had written it himself. Could it be, perhaps, that being Irish, it was argued that his would be the ideal was argued means would be the local voice for a film that has a high whimsical content? Not that it needed the hint of mockery in his voice to bring out the Monty Python piquancy of consumer tests such as the one performed on golf balls to ensure that they in not treat its feether his or

they do not travel too far when hit, or the vacuum cleaner test that requires dust specially imported from Sweden,

CHANNEL 4

5.00 People's Court. Retired judge

5.30 Enthusiasts. The third

Wapner passes judgment the case of How to Get a

programms in the series devoted to people who spend their energies on a special subject focuses on Ken Jones

seal doctor, Tonypandy-born Mr Jones has lived with his wife in St Agnes, Cornwall, since 1958. They bought a beach cafe and it was there

that they met their first seal -

two-day old pup who refused to return to the sau. It was eventually kept in a bath. From

this amail start grow a seal sanctuary which became so

6.00 The Munaters\* Harman is persuaded by an advertisement to buy ten

remote acres for use as a

a delapidated ghoat-town.

programme in the series examining television's and cinema's approach to the

concept of the family, deals with the optimistic 50s. The Ordinary Devoted Mother was

the title of a series of radio broadcasts by psycho-analyst Dr.D. W. Winnicott in which he

sang the praises of housework

and childrening. The 50s also

brought commercial television with happy families in the soap

brought reality to the screen with his series, People in

adverts but Dan Farson

7.50 Comment. The political slot this week is taken by Jeremy Hanley, Conservative MP for

Richmond and Barnes.

8.00 Brookside. Berry and Terry

are still sweating over Tommy McArdle's missing car white at the Cross's attempts are made

to reconcile Harry and his son,

Diverse Reports. Weekly current affairs programme with, this week, Ferdinand Mount.

literary editor of The Speciator

talking about a plan to privatize Britain's bus services.

A strange story based on a real life incident when, in 1828 a

young man was found standing

main square with a prayer book

in one hand and a letter to the

local regimental riding master

chairs a discussion between

Richard Lewontin of Harvard and Marvin Harris of the

University of Florida, on the

theme Sociobiology: Culture

11.00 Voices. Robert Hutchinson

Robert Trivers of the

University of California

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12.05 Closedown

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9.90 Film: The Enigma of Kesper Hauser (1974) starring Bruno S.

7.00 Channel Four News.

Fisshback, The eighth

nily holiday hideaway. Two

dublous estate agents try to buy it from him when Herman discovers that the land is really

large it has had to be moved to Gweek on the Halford River.

motorway to see if they would be any use as crash barriers. Alan Dobson, producer of Q.E.D. and the man who producer of Q.E.D. and the man who has put the words into Dr Clare's mouth, also manages to find something funny to say about bottled fizzy drinks. Tonic and beer bottles shatter at 300 pounds per square

inch: yet, the strongest glass is used for that internationally renowned drir that, according to the posters, life goes better with - and its fizz force does not rise above 50 psi. Potentially the film's most amusing sequence is the one that shows exploding custand powder. But the grin freezes on our tips when we are told that precisely

such a blast seriously injured eight factory workers, back in 1981.

STRANGERS AND BROTHERS e at naments and grothless (BBC 2, 9.40pm) continues to make heavy demands on our powers of concentration. There is not a throw-away line from start to finish, and if the telephone should be seen as the start of t away are iron start to instruct and ir the letephone should ring as you watch the latest episode, you are in danger of, at best, losing your compass and, at worst, your rudder. Last week's entry into the action of Anthony Hopkins's Roger Quaite has had a tonic effect on the serial. The scandal of his extra marking relationed in of his extra-merital relationship deepens in tonight's penultimate episoda. As Lewis Eliot, Shaughan Seymour is proving that he is probably the most intelligent listener on British

the most intelligent assessment television today. Peter Davalle

advice for those who really want to become a Member of Partisment.

7.45 Pat Man on a Roman Road. The third of eight programmes in which Torn Vernon rides his bycycle from Exeter to Edinburgh (3) The Waters and the Wolds: th to the Costs

Bath to the Costawoids (r).

15 Anthony Hopkins Talking about Music. Each week, he explores a different musical work or topic.†

1.45 Analysis: "The Challenge to Reagen" – Lord Crowther Hunt chairs a discussion from Mash Washington on policies and issues that will dominate this year's presidential election

campaign.

2.30 Kaleidoscope, Arts magazine.
Includes comment on Jose
Donoso's book A House in the

Donoso's book A House in the Country.

12.15 A Book at Bedtime: "The Cone-Gathers" by Robin Jenkins (8). Read by Tom Fleming.

10.30 The World Tonight; Headlines.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parlament.

12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15 Close. Shipping Forecast.

ENGLANIC VIF as above except.

6.25-6.30 Weather; Travel, 10.45-12.00 For Schools: 10.45 Radio History. 11.05 Singing Together.

Professor Sir Fred Hoyle, the astronomer, physicist and author.

3.00 Afternoon Theatre: Visiting, by Colin Haydn Evans. Roger Hammond plays the man, recently released from a psychiatric hospital who, sitting in the park to escape the never-ending talk of his landlady, meets a girl (Tity Voeburgh) less than half his age.?

3.45 Time for Verse. Judgmant Day in poetry.

BBC1 Wales: 12.57pm-1.80 News of Wales Headlines: 3.48-3.50 News of Wales Headlines: 5.55 Wales today: 12.10am News and weather. Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scotland: 12.10am News and weather. Northern Ireland: 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News. 5.55 Scotland: 5.55 Scotland: 5.55pm Regional news magazines: 12.15am Closs.

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Farming Brief. 1.20 TVS News.
1.30 Afternoon Club. 1.35 Home Rutes.
2.10 Miracles Take Longer. 2.40 Mr &
Mrs. 3.10 Newsbrask. 3.20 Sons and
Daugitters. 3.50 A-Z Gadgets. 5.15
Silver Spoons. 5.00 Coast To Coast.
11.00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan
Braswell. 12.00 Superstar Profile:
Donald Sutherland. 12.30 Company,
closs.

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing: Weather.
6.10 Farming Today, 6.25 Shipping.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News, 6.46 Przyer, 6.56, 7.55 Weather, 7.00, 8.00 News, 7.25, 8.25 Sport, 7.46 Thought for the Day, 6.35 Yesterday in 9.00 News. 9.05 Midwest Libby Purves and studio guest Neil Kinnock, the Labour Party leader. 10.00 News; Gerdeners' Question

Time. Morning Story: "The Doctor's Prescription" by Guy De Maupessant, Read by David

Maupeisant. Read by David March.

10.45 Delly Service.

11.00 News; Travel; Baker's Dozen with Richard Baker.

11.88 Through My Window. Second of six programmes in which bissy people peuse swittle and consider the visur from their windows: Pam Ayres.

12.00 News; You and Yours.

12.27 The Bird of Dawning by John Masefield. A serial in six parts (5),† 12.55 Weather.

1.00 The World st One: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Women's Hour. Today's edition includes an interview with Professor Sir Fred Hoyle, the astronomer, physicist and author.

4.00 News; Just After Four, More. -

4.00 News; Just After Four, More-opera house memories from Edward Downes.

4.10 File On 4. A second chance to hear lest night's edition.

4.40 Story Time: "Woman and Pupper" by Pierre Louys (5).

5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weether.

6.00 The Stx O'clock News.

6.30 My Music. A musical panel game, chaired by Steve Race.

7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.

7.20 How to Be . . . An MP. Patrick

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6.55 Weather, 7.00 News.
7.05 Your Midweek Choice.
Pachelbel's Canon and Gigue;
Bach's Capriccio on departure of
beloved brother (Dreyfus,
harpsichord); Purcell's Chaconne
in G minor; Seethoven's
Variations on thems from
Handel's Judas Maccebeus
(Jacqueline du Pré, cello); and
Wagner's overture Rienzi, 16.00 Wagner's overture Rienzi.18.00

YORKSHIRE As London except starts 9.25 9.30 Weather, 1,20 Calendar News, 5,15 5,45 Mr and Mrs, 6,00 6,35 Calendar, 11,00

Bodng: Colin Jones v Alian Braswell. 12.00 Barney Miller. 12.30 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 1.20 Central News. 1.30 Three Little Words, 2.00 Miracles Take Longer. 2.30-3.30 We'll Meet Again, 5, 15-5, 45 Mysteries, Mytte and Legends, 6,00 Consequent 6, 2,57,00 Control News

11.08 Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell. 12.00 Poor Billy Render. 12.30

GRANADA As London except: 1.20
Granade Reports. 1.30
2.30 Exchange Flags. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 5.15 The Vintage Quiz. 5.00
This is Your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30 7.00 Granade Reports. 11.00
Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell. 12.00 Portrait of a Legend. 12.30
Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: starts 9.25-9.30 North East news. 1.20 North East news. 1.25-1.30 Where the jobs are. 2.50-3.50 The Mysteries of Edgar Wallacs." 5.15-5.45 Family Trees, 6.00-6.02 Crossroads. 8.25-7.00 Northern Life. 11.09 Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Breswell. 12.00 Epilogue.

Radio 3

12.00 For Schools: 10.45 Radio History, 11.25 Singing Together No 20, 11.25 Movement and Drama, 11.45 Contact, 1.55-2.00pts Listening Corner, 2.00-3.06 For Schools: 2.00 The Music Box, 2.25 introducing Geogagraphy, 2.45 Nature, 5.50-5.55 PM (commund), 11.90-11.30 Study on 4: 20th Century European Authors: Italian, 11.30-12.10 Open University, 11.30 Ballads, Folksong and the Romantics, 11.50 Education Otherwise, 12.30em-1.10 Schools Night-Time Broadcasting.

Aloys Kontarsky, pianos); Haydn's Symph No 90; and Guilmant's March on theme 9.05 This Week's Composer:

8.05 Your Midweek Choice: part two. Brahms's Variations on a theme of Robert Schumann (Alfons and

(with soloists Armstrong, Welti Chamonin, Rolfe Johnson and Charnovin, Rolle Johnson and Hill; New Philharmonic Orch ar French Radio Choir.\*
Variations on Paganini's 24th Caprice: We hear two variation by Szmanowski (Hoelscher, violin, and Beroll, plano) and Boris Blacher's (South West German Radio SO).\*
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Chester Surmer Music Festival
1983: Trevor Pinnock,
harpslohord, plays Rameau's
Sutie in Eminor, Bech's Pretude
and Fugue in C (Weil-Tempered
Clavier); and the ItalianConcerto.†
Chicago SO: Ivas Symph No 2;
Liszt's Der nachtliche, Zug
Mephisto Waltz; conductors
Tiscon-Thomas and Liesdorf.†
Tiscon-Thomas and Liesdorf.† 12.15

News. 1.05 Off the Beaten Track: Miles Kington with records featuring, inter alle, Earl Hines, Duke Ellington and Billy Strayhorn, Bengt Hailberg and Ove Lind.†

1.30 Matinee Musicale: Ulster Orchestra in a first performance of Garatin Shufts overdure English

ortcreams a last periormanus of Garath Glyn's overture Eryft; also Finzi's Romance for String Orici; Johann Strauss's Emperor Waltz; Lennox Berkeley's Noctume, and Grieg's LyricSuite,†
Voice, Rute and Clarinet; Felicity of (represent) Susen Millan

Lott (soprano), Susan Milan (flate) and Anthony Pay (clarinet) in works by Villa Lobos; Gordon Jacob; Richard Rodney Banett; Toussel and Copland (As it fell

upon a dayth.

3.15 Amadeus String Trio: Mozart's String Trio movement in G, KANN-66; Schubert's String Trio.

movement in B flat, D 471; and Beethoven's String Trio in G, Op 9 No 1.1 4.00 Choral Evensong: Ive from Cheimsford Cathedral.14.55

Name:

5.90 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Michael Berkeley's selections of music,†

6.30 Debut in his Radio 3 debut, Alan

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7.00 Baroque Brass of London; with Christopher Bowers-Broadbent, organ. Works by Daniel Speer; Gottfried Reiche; Johann Pezel (Two Intrades); and Heinrich Biber (Sonata 'SanctiPolycarpi').1
7.30 BBC Weish Symphony Orchestra: with Walter Klien. Direct from St David's Hall, Cardiff, Part one. Mozart's overture Don Glonanni; and the Piano Concerto No 27.1
8.10 Str. Continents: Foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the

broadcasts, monitored by the BBC.

8.30 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra: part two. Bruckner's Symphony No 7.1

9.40 Belfast Festival 1983: Jorge Bolet, plano, plays Brahms's. Sonata No 3 in F minor, Op 5; and Rachmaninov's Variations on a theme by Chopin, Op 22; and broadcasts, monitored by the

Resigno. 200 World News. 203 Residentions.
3.15 Peables' Choica. 2.30 Two Cheer's for March, 3.00 World News. 2.03 Review of the Brinsh Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.48 Look Ahead. 9.45 Anything for a Laugh. 16.15 Rock Back The Clock. 11.08 World News. 1.08 News About Britash. 11.15 Thomess Traherre on Creation. 11.30 Mendian. 12.00 Radio Newsrest. 12.15 Nature Notabook. 12.25 The Farming World. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00-World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.39 People and Piaces. 1.45 Edward Eiger. 2.15 Report on Religion. 2.30 Two Chesma for March. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 2.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Rock Saled. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 2.30 Assignment. 9.00 Network UK, 9.15 World News. 2.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 3.20 Assignment. 9.00 Network UK, 9.15 World Service Stort Story. 2.39 Jazz for the Asiding. 10.00 World News. 1.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choica. 10.39 Financial News. 11.09 World News. 1.109 The World Today. 11.06 World News. 1.109 Commentary. 11.15 Thomas Traherre on Creation. 11.30 Top Twenty. 12.09 World News. 12.09 News About British Treas. 2.15 The Sock 12.30 A Joby Good Show. 1.15 Outlook. 1.45 Report on Religion. 2.30 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 The Sock Partney. 2.30 Shariock Holmes. 3.00 World News. 3.00 News About British Press. 2.15 The Sock Coll Today. 3.30 Discovery. 4.45 Financial News. 3.09 News About British Press. 2.15 The World Today. 3.30 Discovery. 4.45 Financial News. 3.09 News About British Tress. 3.15 The World News. 3.09 News About British Street. 5.00 World News. 3.00 News About British Street. 5.00 World News. 3.00 News About British Street. 5.00 World News. 5.00 News About British Street. 5.00 News Ab (All Sures to GIAT) HTV WEST As London except: 12.30 Survival, 1.20

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SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20 3.30 4.00 Positively Unemployed, 5.10 Action Line, 5.20 Crossroads, 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.30 Report, 11.00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Alian Brisswell, 11.55 Late Call, 12.00 Private Benjamin, 12.30 Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except:
1.20pm-1.30 Channel
news. 5.15 Joe 90, 5.45-5.00 Channel
Report 9.00 A chance to meet...
Magnes Pike. 10.40 News at Ten: 10.46
Channel news. 10.44 Boxdog: Colin
Jones v Alian Braswell. 11.40 Preview.
12.10 News and weather in French.

ULSTER As London except: starts 9.25-9.30 The Day Ahead. 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime. 3.30 The Crazy World of Sport. 3.58-4.00 Ulster News.

5.15-5.45 Definition, 6.09-6.35 Good Evaning, Ulster, 11.00 Boxing, Colin Jones v Alian Braswell, 12.00 News at

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6.30-7.00 Give Us A Clue. 11.00 Boxling:
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HTV Wales As HTV West except: 6.00-6.35 Wales At Six.

BORDER As London except: 1.20-4.00 The Young Doctors: 5.15-5.45 Whose Beby? 6,00-6.35 Lookaround Wednesday, 11.00 Boxing: Colin Jones v Allan Braswell. 12.00 Portrait of a Legent: Erapkie Valls: 12.30 News Legend: Frankie Valli, 12.30 Ne summary, close.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20
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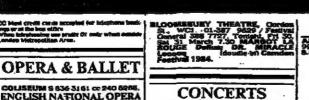
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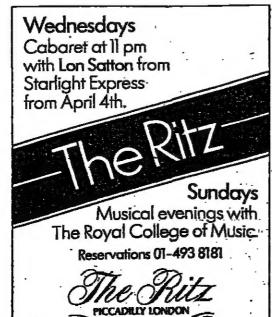


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cighteen of the drivers were men who wanted to work. arrested for alleged obstruction.

four miners in the Hem Heath pits. Colliery Stoke-on-Trent staged a sit-in 3.000 feet underground its 13.000 miners to strike to protest against strike action. despite a 3 to 1 vote against In the Midlands there were such action in a ballot two signs that hundreds of miners

NUM's Area Council.

The A1 protest started early yesterday when about 150 miners' cars, lined abreast across both lanes of the carriageway and in convoy crawled southwards at a snail's pace for eight miles between Wadworth. South Yorkshire, and the Blyth round-about on the Nottinghamshire border where they were stopped by

The protest was thought to be n retaliation for the action of Nottinghamshire police in stop-oing flying pickets from York-hire at road checks and sending :hem back.

Yorkshire police closed the iffected section of the motor-way for two hours to avoid adding to the chaos but hundreds of vehicles were trapped by the block of miners' cars and the tailback of traffic stretched for nearly 12 miles.

Superintendent Peter Owen, of Doncaster police said: "It was sheer cussedness on their part. They were trying to adopt French lorry drivers' tactics but to use it was a straight offence of obstructing the highway." Some of the miners involved

had earlier picketed the York-shire headquarters of the National Coal Board in Doncaster where yesterday eight police were hurt and 20 miners arrested. PC Stephen Fair-clough, aged 23, collapsed during scuffles and was taken to hospital, but no injuries were found. Seven other policemen received minor injuries caused by heaving and pushing on the picket lines but staff at the headquarters were able to get through to work.

At the Hem Heath Collicry, tactics of French lorry drivers Stoke-on-Trent, four face yesterday and brought chaos to workers defied a call to strike an eigh-mile motorway section and staged a sit-in 3,000 feet of the Al in South Yorkshire by driving 150 cars in convoy down the south-bound carriage way at only five miles an hour.

below ground. Mr Jim Yates, aged 47, his son Michael, aged 40, his son Michael, aged 41, and Mr Peter Knapper, aged 35, The protest by Yorkshire miners was described by police as "sheer cussedness" and "bully boys" for frightening the

Hundreds of other miners in Elsewhere in the coalfields Staffordshire and Warwickshire eight policemen were hurt vesterday defied the strike call during scuffles on a picket line by the Midlands Area of the outside the National Coal NUM and ignored angry pickets Board Area headquarters in to keep at least some pro-Doncaster and in Staffordshire duction going at five of eleven

The Area Executive calld on weeks ago, Mr Joe Mckie, the were defying a strike call by the Area President of the NUM NUM's Area Council. Area expected all pits to be at a standstill by the weekend and added: "We want all flying pickets out of the Midlands area now. We will handle our own

At Lea Hall Colliery, Rugeley. Staffordshire, where about 50 per cent of the morning shift defied angry South Wales pickets and went into work, windows in two coaches carry-ing workers were broken by pickets, police said last night.

At Nuneaton, a train carrying thousands of tonnes of coal from Nottingham to London was haited for three hours when its driver saw the words "NUM Official picket line" painted on a footbidge over the line. He refused to go on and another driver prepared to cross the unmanned picket line had to be

In Nottinghamshire all 25 pits were working normally, but 20 pickets were arrested at the Silverhill Colliery, near Man-sfield. In North Derbyshire eight out of nine pits were at a standstill. In South Derbyshire about 1,000 pickets, mostly from the north of the county were at the Cadley Heath Colliery near Swadlincote where normal attendance and pro-

duction was reported.

The Scottish triple alliance of steel, rail, and mining unions vesterday increased their action in support of the miners' strike by picketing the Ravenscraig steelworks, in Lanarkshire. The NUM is to send more pickets today to Inverness and Peterwhere cargoes of up to 1,000 tons of coal have been landed by ship in recent days despite picketing by miners.





Rough and tumble: Scenes outside the National Coal Board headquarters in Doncaster yesterday. Above: Police leading away a picket and (below) a tangle of bodies after a fence collapsed.

#### Cool Queen lifts British prestige in Jordan

Continued from page 1 tragedy" – was reflected in an editorial in yesterday's *Jordan* 

Commenting on the implications of the visit, whose security risks have been played down by the controlled Jordanian media, the paper said: One of the virtues of the British that we have always admired is the ability to snap back from an error and to do right with other people. Thus it is gratifying to see British policy in the Middle East today based on the logical principle of granting the Palestinians the right to national self-determiright to national self-determination, despite the fact that in the early years of this century, the British had a conspicuously less glorious history of involvement with the Palestinian issue."

The concern felt by the British authorities for the Queen's safety - which appears to have had less psychological effect on the royal couple than on may of those officials responsible for their programme – is illustrated by the presence in Amman of Deputy Assistant Commissioner Colin Smith, the man selected in 1982 to take overall charge of the Royal Family's security. Mr Smith does not always accompany the Queen on her frequent trips abroad. But he

has played a major role in the plans now in operation for her protection, earning the Fleet Street nickname of the "The Jackal Hunter", because of the ever-present fear that a single suiper may try to score a terrorist coup. Also never far from the

Queen's side is Superintendent Jim Beaton, her personal bodyguard, who was once wounded protecting Princess Anne from attack in Britain, His role in an emergency is The Queen was able to

escape from the oppressive security for a welcome hour yesterday to the relative calm and safety of the national stad, home of some of the most magnificent Arab stallions in the world.

Dressed in a matching lime green hat and coat, and looking relaxed and fascinated by the more than 70 horses on show, the Queen appeared as at home us she is among her own horses in England. Their bostess was Princess

Aliya, aged 28, King Husain's eldest daughter by his first wife, who was educated at Benenden, the English public school attended by Princess Anne, and speaks flawless

#### **Ministers** fail again in **Brussels**

Continued from page 1

end of the road and the British cannot expect to keep picking up the negotiations from where they left off."

The Junior Dutch Minister Mr Wim van Eekelen, said We are fed up with negotiating with a partner who doesn't want to move. It is an unbelievably harsh attitude of the British and most of the nine are just afraid of being milked further by Britain. He accused Britain of "salami tactics" - trying to get the whole sausage in slices.

Sir Geoffrey tried to adopt a much more conciliatory note and carefully avoided blaming any of the other ministers for what had happened. There is always a sense of regret when the Community fails to reach an agreement on any important question", he said

"Once the agreement is cached there is relief and, in the interim period, tegret tends to dominate". In his view, the threat by the others to withdraw offers lying on the table was not one. "The problems remain. The gaps remain. The gaps have to be bridged and, in the end, the problems will have to be solved".

Sir Geoffrey said he had come to the meeting with a great willingness to respond to the proposals made. The British Government wanted to build on the work done during the summit and he had asked specialists to try to complete texts on the six main outstan ing issues so that they could be adopted by the June summit.

The six items, however, include the British budget problem and therefore Sir Geoffrey's suggestion for a calm approach was not immediately taken up.

After a long meeting span-ning two days, the agriculture ministers abandoned their attempts to settle this year's farm prices because Ireland could win little but sympathy at the negotiating table. ireland, which claims it has

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an artificially low milk production figure, insists it must be allowed exemption from new proposals aimed at reducing the size of the EEC milk lake. ...

M Michel Rogard, the French Agriculture Minister, chairing the meeting, regarded it as nonsense for Britain to be pressing for more New Zealand butter imports. It was just not logical to allow this until the Community had sorted out its milk problems.

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#### Today's events

Royal engagements

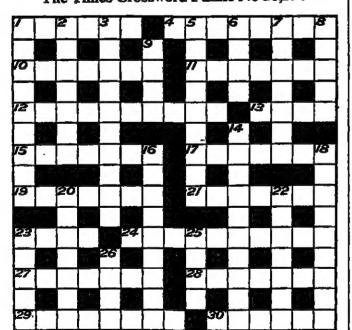
Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother unveils a Memorial to Noel Coward in Westminster Abbey, Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, attends a concert in aid of the Blackie Foundation Trust, St James's Palace, London, 8.

Alice Duchess of Hall, London, 7.

The Duchess of Gloucester opens the Clinical Diagnostic Unit,

The Duke of Gloucester attends a concert given by the Leicestershire Schools Chamber Orchestra in aid of Leicestershire's Appeal for Music

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,390



#### ACROSS

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occupation (6).

4 Mine after a month about worn

11 Two blokes translating Homer?

(7).

12 Musical clock I call no end fanciful (10).

13 I who Bibbs a belowest face of the Bibbs and the Bib

patriarch (4).

15 Measure for surgeons, perhaps?
(7).

17 Sound of a horn, also that of a

some in the old city (7).

The North Carolina variety of fish (5).

18 John Line of the control of the contro

21 Insects we need to dunk right in . 16 Swell eating fish - hence extra the drink (7).

23 Boy's optical aid (4).
24 Piece of music used by Chinamen as a matter of course 20 Design of gold on a canal-boat

27 One reaping harvest in the fall 22 Shut up two quarters in the (7).

28 Criticize old war-time measure, bringer of many ills (7).

29 Something plaguey without end in the maths line (5).

sailors (3-5). 30 Saw contained beryllium in the

Solution to No 16,385



1 Lucerne detective declares his 1 Like a particle of fish caught up in a tooth (9). Most of the book of words in a out (8).

10 One Italian girl in fine fabric, showing gaps (7).

3 The only one in her family to have a fit (10).

fanciful (10).

13 In the Bible a helpmeet for a 7 Splendid show that's mounted

bell, in London (7).

19 Like clockwork, his visits to the

14 Ability to vie, catching unlimi-

ted 8 (10). demand (9).

18 Nicholas Nye beginning to live in magnificent pasture (9).

bringer of many ills (7).

29 Datum line popular with bad

25 One of three aids to solution of Holmes's problem with the Reds

26 No confused type of painter (4).



● Explanation of Eliminator puzzle, page 14

Kidderminster Hospital, 11.35; and later visits Brintons Limited, Exchange Street, 12.25, Worcester-

The Duchess of Kent, as an Honorary Freewoman, attends the Charities Luncheon of the Cloth-workers' Company at Cloth-workers' Hall, Dunster Court, Mineing Lane,

Music

Concert by Northern Sinfonia, St. Cuthbert's, Carlisle, 7.30. Concert by Bournemouth Symphony Orehestra, with Wilfred Boeucher and Konstanty Kulka, Colston Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30.

Organ concert by Fox's Keyboard Society with Peter Hayward, Memorial Hall, Barkers Pool,

Sheffield, 7.30.
Piano recital by Leslie Riskowitz, Rhyl Music Club, Rhyl Town Hall,

Talks, lectures

A Heritage in the Present Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street,

Edinburgh, 2.

Being a Christian today, by Roger
Taylor, St. Ann's Church, Magchester, 1.20. International Garden
Festival 84, by Lord Aberconway,
Free Trade Hall, Peters Street,
Magchester, 1.30.

Licensed Anarchy - some problems of informal transactions in land, by Prof. Graham Battersby. Newton Lecture Theatre, Newton Building, Trent Polytechnic, Burton Street. Nottingham, 2.15.

Exhibitions in progress ...

Given to the Museum: an exhibition of gifts to the Banbury Museum. 8. Horsefair. Banbury: from Wed and Sat 10 to 4. closed Tues. Thurs, Fri and Sun (until 30 April) or Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (from May 1) closed Sun (ends May 14).

#### Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Rates Bill, completion of remaining stages.

Lords (2.30): Debate on White Paper on training for jobs.

#### Sheep dips

The Ministry of Agriculture has announced details of its sheep scab eradication programme. Two compulsory dipping periods will apply throughout Britain, the first between July 15 and August 11, the second from September 23 to November 3. An assurance is given that at the end of the summer period, individual extensions will be considered for the undisturbed portion of flocks on the open fell, Mr David Lloyd, Chairman of the Animal Health Committee of the National Farmers' Union of England and Wales, commented: "I cannot urge too strongly the importance of all flock-owners dipping properly and in accordance with the requirements. Otherwise we will never stamp out this

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#### New books - hardback

tion of interesting books out Arnold Schoenber and Wassity Kendinsky, letters, pkctures, and documents, edited by Jelena Hahl-Kock, translated by John C. Crawford (Faber, £20, paperback £9.95). Chatto & Windus, £12.95.

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Enderby's Dark Lady, by Anthony Burgess (Hutchinson, £7.85).
English Journey, or The Road to Milton Keynes, by Beryl Bairbridge (Duckworth/BBC, £7.95).
F. Scott Fitzgerald, by Andre Le Vot, translated by William Byron (Allen Lane, \$14.96).

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Republicans and Imperialists, Anglo-Irish Relations in the 1930s, by Deidre McMahon (Yale, £20).
Saul Bellow and History, by Judie Newman (Macmillan, £20).
Saouse Mouse or I Never Got Over It, an autobiography by George Melly (Weiderfield & Nicolson, £8.95).
The Camomile Lawn, a novel, by Mary Wesley (Macmillan, £8.95).
Wellington's War, His Peninsular Dispatches presented by Julian Rathbone (Michael Joseph, £15).

#### Roads

Midlands and East Anglia: A10: Traffic signals along St Mary's Street, Ely, Cambridgeshire, M1: Contraflow between junctions 16 (Northampton) and 18 (Rugby). A6: Temporary signals at Matlock Bath. Wales and West: A30: Temporary lights at tunnel bridges, Salisbury and at Winterslow, on Salisbury to Stockhoides Poad

Salisbury to Stockbridge Road, Wiltshire, A381/A385: Temporary wittshire. A361/A365: Temporary traffic lights at Brutus Bridge, Bridgetown Hill. Totnes. A470: Builth Wells-Llyswen 24-hr tempor-ary traffic signals on road at

North: A41: Kerbing and footpath work at Christleton Mill and Great Boughton. Chester. A54: Drainage work between A49 and

Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, between Church Street and Argyle Street. A77: Northbound carriage-way closed south of Mearns Cross, Newton Mearns, Renfrewshire; two-way traffic on southbound. One lane only each wayin West Approach Road at Grove Street Bridge, Edinburgh.
Information supplied by AA.

#### The pound

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Canada S	1.91	1.84
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Finland Mkk	8_38	7.98
France Fr	11.90	11.40
Germany DM	3.88	3.70
Greece Dr	160.00	150.00
Hongkong S	11.65	11.05
Ireland Pt	1.28	1.22
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London: The FT index closed down

The papers

The Daily Star, commenting on

the Intoximeter controversy, says that it is clearly vital that motorists

suspected of being drunk are only prosecuted when there is no question about the level of alcohol

in their blood. At the moment police refuse to allow blood tests

except in marginal cases. "But why on earth has the Home Office

accept the readings of a machine in

which there is now an official lack of confidence? Blood tests should be

getting a new voice for its speaking clock, the Daily Mirror says. "No

matter that the present voice does the job perfectly. British Telecom means to be different, even if different means worse. The same

kind of reasoning made it change its

name, gave all its vans a new colour, put a rash of blue dots on everything

t owned and tempted it to paint its

phone boxes yellow. Those whom Mrs Thatcher would privatize first

In the past few days the coal strike has taken on an entirely new dimension, the Daily Express comments. The grim fact is that

the law-breakers are winning, democracy and legality are being

defeated, despite yesterday's call by nine members of the NUM

executive for a ballot. That is the blunt truth Mrs Thatcher and Mr

Macgregor, the Coal Board chair-

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Anniversaries

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Scotland: Width restriction in Dumbarton Road Glesson.

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Islands: Any mist and fog pathes
clearing, sunny intervals and scattered
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East Anglia, E England: Cloudy with
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NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyli, Northern Ireland: Mist and tog patches clearing, surny intervals and scattered showers; wind variable light becoming N or NE, moderate; max temp 7 to 9C (45 to 48F).

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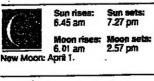
Aberdeen, central Highlands, Moray Pirth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Cloudy, with outbreaks of rain, gradually dying out from 5; wind NE to N. moderate or fresh; max temp 4 to 85 (39 to 497).

Outbook for tomorrow and Friday-Showers and sunny intervals; rather cold; frost and fog patches at night.

SEA PASSAGES; S North Sea, Strait of on earth has the "trial" period will only start on April 19." it asks. "What will happen to the motorists tested by the machine between now, and then? Must they - and we - just available immediately to anyone given an Intoximeter test."

Like a middle-aged, balding trendy desperate to get with it. British Telecom is contemplating

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind NW, strong becoming cyclonic moderate or fresh, sea rough cyclonic moderate or restr, sea roogii becoming slight or moderate. English Channel (El: Wind variable light or moderate becoming NW locally fresh. Sea slight or moderate: St. Georges's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind variable light, sea smooth.



Lighting-up time

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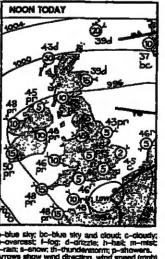
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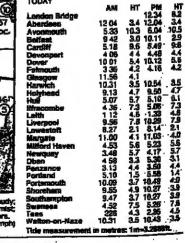
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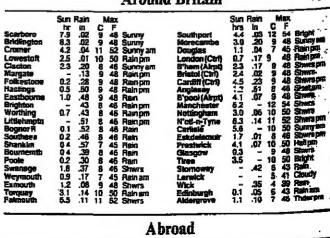
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**Around Britain** 



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